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A DISGRACED ADMINISTRATION.

We give to-day a cut illustrating the manner in which the mail of Consul Macrum at Pretoria had been tampered with. It was his official mail, too, addressed to him as Consul and bearing the eagle in red wax with which such letters are supposed to be rendered inviolate. The offense of the British censor was aggravated by pasting a "sticker," with the British arms stamped thereon, over the cut edges of the envelope.

These intolerable indignities were made known by Mr. Macrum (who had meanwhile been removed from office by our truckling President because he would not submit to them) upon his arrival in this country. His statement was solemnly declared by the Secretary of State to be untrue. But the Ex-Consul has made good his word, thereby proving that the Administration of this once proud country had deliberately stated what it must have known to be untrue, seeing that it has secured Lord Salisbury's apology for the affront.

The case against the Administration is thus summed up by the Atlanta Constitution:

"The acknowledgement by Secretary Hay that Lord Salisbury has apologized for the opening of Mr. Macrum's official mail, justifies all that has been said by the latter, and places the administration in a rather queer light.

"Mr. Macrum was United States consul to Pretoria. When the Boer-English war broke out, he was instructed to assume charge of British consular affairs as well. The telegraph lines and mail communication were all in the hands of the British authorities, and Mr. Macrum was cut off from all communication with his own government, except in so far as international courtesy would protect his official mail. Suddenly correspondence ceased. Macrum left Pretoria for the United States and there arose great public interest as to what was the matter. Before Macrum could be heard from, Mr. Hay appointed his son to the vacant consulate; the latter called upon Lord Salisbury before his departure for Africa, and the public awaited the developments. After being ignored by his home government, Mr. Macrum made known to the public the fact that his official mail had been regularly opened by the British postoffice authorities; that they understood perfectly the consular code, and that his return home was to make a report which he could not make from Pretoria except under the supervision of a foreign government. The action of the administration in dismissing him without even hearing his report was sufficient to arouse resentment, which has led to action in congress. Now that an exposure is inevitable. Mr. Hay admits the truth of all that Macrum said by acknowledging an apology from Salisbury. If the offence demanded an apology, why was Macrum censured for seeking to make the facts known? What collusion has led to this understanding, in which the inviolability of American official mail is surrendered? Questions are piling up high, for which republicanism will have to answer next fall."

In order that our readers may see how this disgraced Administration is employing the press dispatches to shield itself, we append a telegram which appeared in one of our contemporaries that arrived by the same mail that brought the copy of the Constitution quoted from above. Says the telegram, under the head, "Nothing in Macrum's Charges":

Washington, March 28.—Former Consul Macrum, of Pretoria, was heard by the House committee on Foreign Affairs this morning in regard to the alleged interference of the British censor with his letters. Mr. Macrum made out no case whatever, and in executive session, after the hearing, the committee practically determined to let the matter drop without taking any action whatever. The members of the committee were apparently disgusted with the result of the examination of Mr. Macrum, and two of them seid there was absolutely nothing in the case.

CURRENT COMMENT.

If the Democratic State Convention, says the Mount Olive Advertiser, neglects to provide for a senatorial primary, it will fail to do the will of the people. A democratic interpretation of good government and pure politics means the adoption of the system.

* * *

That threadbare error, that Jefferson wrote in the Declaration of Independence, "All men are created *free and* equal," appears again among some of our contemporaries. Why don't people read the text of that document occasionally? It might be of service in more ways than one.

* * *

Ex-Consul Macrum seems to have put the Administration in a hole. They have used all the enginery of the press dispatches and other agents to discredit him. The result was an illustration of the efficacy of the advice to the young barrister: if your case is bad, abuse the plaintiff's attorney—the folly of which centuries of experience does not seem to have taught the public. Mr. Macrum said that the British censor in South Africa had opened his official mail. Secretary Hay said it was nonsense; but he has been compelled to admit that it was true and that the British Government has apologized for the act. We give elsewhere a cut showing the two sides of a letter which was addressed to the Consul and which had been opened and resealed by the British censor.

Mrs. Calvin Zimmerman, Milesburg, Pa., says, "As a speedy cure for coughs, colds, croup and sore throat One Minute Cough Cure is unequalled. It is pleasant for children to take. I heartily recommend it to mothers." It is the only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. It cures bronchitis, pneumonia, grippe and throat and lung diseases. It will prevent consumption. King Bros.

THE REVENGES OF TIME.

Time is constantly achieving its revenges against the errors of malice or short-sightedness. In the long list of those achievements which history records, however, there is none so pronounced, or that has come so quickly, as the demonstration of the criminal folly of the enfranchisement of the Africans in the South.

The war with Spain, waged in the name of freedom, but availed of now to stifle freedom, is prolific of striking illustrations of the tangled web which the enemies of the South were weaving when they degraded Anglo-Saxon freedom in the name of African freedom.

FOR COMMISSIONER OF LABOR AND PRINTING.

HENRY B. VARNER, OF LEXINGTON.

LEXINGTON, N. C., March 12, 1900.

DEAR SIR:—This is one of the most critical years in the history of the Democratic party in this State. The constitutional amendment, decent State government and the future welfare of the State's best people all depend upon this year's election. This being true, it behooves us to put up the strongest ticket possible. We should name deserving, efficient, capable and honest men for the various places on the State ticket, men who will bear their full part of the work necessary in a campaign like we are now entering upon.

Remembering that Davidson county has never had a man on the Democratic State ticket, the people of this section ask that Mr. Henry B. Varner, editor of The Davidson Dispatch, be nominated for Commissioner of Labor and Printing. In asking this we feel confident that we are working in the interest of one who is eminently qualified and well suited to fill the position with credit to himself and honor to his State, as he is a practical printer and successful newspaper and business man.

Mr. Varner represents the young Democracy of North Carolina, and is a worker. For a number of years he has been Chairman of the Executive Committee of his County, and in the last election won a great victory. He is a member of the Ex. Com. of the National Editorial Association, and is serving his second term as the Southern member of the Legislative Committee of the same Association.

By perseverance, honorable dealing and unrelenting work Mr. Varner has won the admiration of all who know him. If the delegates to the State convention should see fit to give Mr. Varner favorable consideration, no mistake would be made.

Very Respectfully,
EMERY E. RAPER.

JOHN T. BRITT, OF OXFORD.

BLUE GABLES, DURHAM COUNTY,
MARCH 14, 1900.

To the Editor: There are few men in the State who for more than a quarter of a century have worked more faithfully and effectually for Democracy and White Supremacy than Col. John T. Britt, editor of the Oxford Ledger. The fight instituted in 1874 and unwieldingly prosecuted ever since was made against very great odds. At that time Granville county was one of the blackest negro strongholds in the State, having a negro majority of 600 to 800.

To overcome this majority and to place that grand old county on the white list was the labor that the Public Ledger applied itself to, and at the expense of actual boycotts and threats of personal violence and every conceivable meanness, the negro was marshalled to fight this Democratic organ—all to poor effect beyond the cutting off from the paper some 300 subscribers within a few months.

To the Public Ledger more than to any other factor belongs the credit of a county redeemed from negro rule—for Granville county now stands boldly and defiantly where she rightly belongs—in the Democratic ranks—thanks to the efforts of John T. Britt.

In recognition of, and as a token of Democratic gratitude, his nomination and election to the office of Commissioner of Labor and Public Printer, would be, to put it mildly, a merited compliment, creditable alike to Col. Britt and the party he has served so well.

Apart from this consideration, he is a practical printer of life long experience, a thorough business man, deservedly popular among the editors of the State and the people alike.

J. B. HUNTER.

JOSEPH H. JAMES, OF SALISBURY.

SALISBURY, N. C., March 15, 1900.

DEAR SIR:—The State Convention meets in Raleigh on the 11th of April. It will be the paramount duty of that Convention to nominate a ticket that will unite every class, calling and profession of white men in the State; in the interests of the vital issue in the campaign—the Constitutional Amendment. In the past our party has honored all the learned professions, the banker, the merchant and farmer. The object of this letter is to bring before the people a representative of a class of people who have hitherto sought no recognition at the hands of the party, but who have always with unswerving fidelity been true to Democracy. That class is the mechanics, a class which forms a considerable number in the sum total of Democrats in this State. This class of people deserve recognition and it is in their interest that I bring to your attention the fact that Mr. Joseph H. James, of Salisbury, N. C., a skilled mechanic and loyal representative of his craft and a sterling Democrat, will be a candidate before the convention for the nomination of "Commissioner of Printing and Labor." Mr. James is qualified in every way to discharge competently and faithfully the duties of this office, and his nomination will mean the undivided support of all the mechanics in the State. Rowan county, always Democratic, has not had a place on the State ticket in forty years. She now asks the nomination of Mr. James and will appreciate your influence in his behalf at the convention.

Yours Very Truly,
WALTER MURPHY.

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A Belated Letter.

The following letter from an esteemed correspondent has just been found in a batch of misplaced mail matter. We publish the primary proceedings as a matter of record:

HOPE MILLS, N. C.,
March 2nd, 1900.

MR. EDITOR:

I enclose you a copy of the proceedings of the primary for Rockfish Township, as was ordered by the chairman for publication.

Times are quite bright in our town and surroundings. Democracy is booming.

Married at Cumberland on the 25th of February, 1900, Mr. J. A. Gainey, of Wayne county, to Miss Naurie Baxley, of Holt-Morgan Mill, by J. W. Hodges, J. P.

THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY.

March 1st.

The primary was held at this place today for Rockfish Township. A. A. Harrington, chairman, called the meeting to order. There being no secretary, Mr. Bynum put the name of J. W. Hodges in nomination and he was elected.

Dr. Caviness then made a motion that all democrats be made delegates to the county convention. Mr. Bynum moved to amend Dr. Caviness's motion by saying "all white democrats" The amendment was accepted by Dr. Caviness and Z B. Newton seconded motion, and it passed.

The names of A. A. Harrington, Z B. Newton, T. J. Gardner, Dr. J E Caviness and J. W. Hodges were placed in nomination and elected as an executive committee

The chairman then stated that we should organize a white supremacy club at Hope Mills. It was agreed by all present that we call a meeting of all Democrats and also all who advocate white supremacy to meet in the school house on the night of March 13th, 1900, at 7:30 P M., at Hope Mills No. 1.

Dr. J. E. Caviness made a motion that the delegates from this place be instructed to support the Honorable C B. Aycock for the nomination for Governor.

The meeting then closed.

A. A. HARRINGTON, JR., Chairman.
J. W. HODGES, Secretary.

Influence of the Home Newspaper.

Says the Henderson Gold Leaf:

Evidently Editor Britt is seeing things come his way over in Oxford. In season and out he has talked up his town and advocated the turning of attention and capital to something else besides the handling of leaf tobacco and selling of merchandise. The hope of the community was in a diversification of industries, the building of manufacturing enterprises, but the people were slow to act. The paper led the way and blazed out the path, but the followers were few. But at last the faithful sentinel on the watchtower of his town's interest and welfare is seeing the fruits of his labors. The night has been long and full of doubts and disappointments, but day is breaking. The spirit of lethargy is giving way to the spirit of hope and activity, an era of industrial development is approaching and prosperity waits smiling upon the scene.

Gold Standard Logic.

Laurinburg Exchange.

We quote the following extract from a recent editorial in the Charlotte Observer: "Certainly those who four years ago stood for sound currency, have been amply vindicated. The farmer, who thought that every opponent of free silver was his enemy, finds his cotton, which during that period of uncertainty, brought only 3½ or 4 cts., now, that the stability of the currency is assured, worth 7 to 8."

From which we infer that to the gold standard should be given all the credit and praise for the prevailing good prices. It matters not how great the over production may be, the price will be all right so long as the gold standard is in force. And on the other hand, it matters not how much under the required demand the crop may be, there is no hope for the farmer if we adopt the free coinage of silver. That's reasoning with a vengeance, but such seems to be the logical inference.

Mr. Thomas's Bill for a New Fayetteville Arsenal.

A BILL

To authorize the construction of an arsenal for the repair, storage, and distribution of ordnance and ordnance stores for the use of the Government of the United States at Fayetteville, North Carolina,

WHEREAS by an Act of the first session of the Twenty-fourth Congress, approved June fourteenth, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, entitled "An Act to establish an arsenal of construction in the State of North Carolina," an arsenal of deposit and general construction was established near the town of Fayetteville, in the State of North Carolina; and Whereas by a subsequent Act of Congress approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two the site of said arsenal was sold by the Government of the United States; and Whereas it would be advantageous to the Government of the United States to re-establish the said arsenal: Therefore

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

That for the purpose of re-establishing the said arsenal at Fayetteville, North Carolina, to be used for the repair, storage, and distribution of ordnance and ordnance stores, the sum of two hundred thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated; and the construction and control of said arsenal shall be under the direction of the Secretary of War: *Provided*, That without cost to the United States a sufficient quantity of land, accepted as suitable and adequate for such arsenal by the Secretary of War, and not less than fifty acres, is conveyed in fee to the United States: *And provided further*, That exclusive jurisdiction over said land by the United States Government is ceded by the State of North Carolina.

COLD STEEL OR DEATH.

"There is but one small chance to save your life and that is through an operation," was the awful prospect set before Mrs. I B. Hunt, of Lime Ridge, Wis., by her doctor after vainly trying to cure her of a frightful case of stomach trouble and yellow jaundice. He didn't count on the marvellous power of Electric Bitters to cure Stomach and Liver troubles, but she heard of it, took seven bottles, was wholly cured, avoided surgeon's knife, now weighs more and feels better than ever. It's positively guaranteed to cure Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles and never disappoints. Price 50c at B. E. Sedberry & Sons.

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Sketch from the Diary of a North Calolinian Abroad.

MARY NARCISSA MCKINNON.

BAYREUTH, August.

I am really here! it seems too wonderful to be true. Today has been more like a page from a fairy book or a glimpse of paradise than a reality, and now it is almost gone for in a few minutes the clock will strike twelve. I suppose in all lives there are days which stand out vividly against a background of commonplace existence, and to a music lover such a day as this has been must indeed seem the very acme of earthly bliss. But if I rave much more the night will pass and I will have written nothing.

Also! (the German preface to all communications important or otherwise) Mrs. Dailey and Ella, Helen, George and I came in today on the one o'clock train from Nuremburg. It was hot and dusty and the train was crowded with all sorts and conditions. We came third class as we are traveling on a Cook tourist ticket. Some one has said that only English lords, American millionaires and German fools travel first-class in Germany. When the train stopped we rushed with the crowd into the depot cafe and managed by being extremely rude to secure a table, where we sat in exquisite misery expecting every moment to be drenched with an avalanche of beer from the waiter of some distracted *Kellner* who dived frantically in and out among the tables. We ordered soup a half dozen times, only to see it borne to another party. Mrs. Dailey announced her intention of fainting, which didn't make the situation any brighter for us girls. I think Ella wanted to cry, and Helen, black in the face from a futile attempt to attract some attraction, had sunk back in her chair with a pitiful air of resignation, when an inspiration, born of the hopelessness of our condition and a timely remembrance of Mark Twain's description of the power of fees, seized me. With a shining silver mark in my hand I made a last desperate clutch at a Kellner and besought him for just a glass of water. At sight of the mark he suddenly remembered we had ordered soup some half hour before, and in a few minutes we were served.

The manager of the bureau of information had secured rooms for us and had given us the address before leaving Dresden. When we had finished dinner and were out on the street again Mrs. Dailey produced the address and we were wondering what direction to take when a housemaid stepped up and asked if she could be any assistance. Mrs. Dailey showed the address and the girl said it was the name of her mistress and she would show us the way. It did't occur to me at the time strange that we should meet a servant of the house to which we were directed. If one of the Walkyre herself had dashed up on her foaming war house and had conveyed us to our destination I would have considered it a part of the programme—the natural order of things.

We followed the girl who led us through the town and when she turned toward a house set back from the street in an old field we began to grow suspicious. Before we could form a plan of retreat, however, we were at the door which was thrown open by a fat beaming *frau* who welcomed us as long lost children, and hustled us up to her best guest chamber, talking at such a rate the while as to take our breath away. When she had departed saying she would send tea up in a few minutes, we stared at each other in blank amazement.

"Well" ejaculated Mrs. Dailey with true American sagacity—"if this doesn't beat all! of course it is not the right place. These Germans set traps for our dollars and we walk right into them."

Mrs. Dailey was never happier than when abusing the Germans. However, it was too late to mend matters as it was nearly three o'clock and we had barely time to dress before the opera which began at four. After a while I saw Mrs. Dailey fumbling with the sheets.

"What *are* you doing?" I said. "Trying to find the name of this woman," she answered.

"Oh, I've already found that out," I said, flourishing a towel," "and it isn't the right one."

It was some consolation to have our suspicion confirmed, but Mrs. Dailey worked herself up to a towering rage at what she called the imposition, and it was not until we were on our way to the theatre that she again became clothed in her right mind.

The day being so fine we decided to walk to the theatre which stands on a hill some distance out of town and can be seen for miles before reaching Bayreuth. The opera for this afternoon was Parsifal, and the house was thronged, every seat having been taken months ago. The Prince and Princess of Wales were in a box not far behind us, and other royal personages occupied boxes on the other side of the building. Madame Wagner and her son, Siegfried, were in the box directly facing the stage. I looked over the theatre and found Miss Straith—the dear old soul! and Miss Schwarz and Miss Blake whom I met in Dresden last winter. I was surprised that every glass in the house was not leveled on the royal boxes until I remembered that in Bayreuth Wagner is king, and everybody was waiting impatiently for the curtain to rise.

At four o'clock the doors were closed and the lights turned out. A thrill ran through the house and then the vast throng was silent. It is the celebrated *Bayreuth hush*. After the overture, which was divine, the curtain parted, disclosing scenery so magnificent, acting so perfect, and singing so heavenly that for the next four hours I was in a trance. Van Dyck, of Vienna, sang Parsifal and Fraulein von Miltenberg was Kundry. Herr Wachter, the leading basso on the Dresden stage, sang Gurnemanz admirably and our own Perron was Amfortas. I thought of the evening Perron took tea with Herr Komrad and me in Reichenbach Strasse and sang so divinely the arias from his favorite operas—and how he would insist on talking English with me and would say "*you was*", in spite of my correction. We get closer in touch someway with the music and the words if we have brushed against these great Bayreuth stars at whose brilliancy the whole world marvels.

We had supper between the acts at a restaurant on the grounds where we had another scramble for a sandwich and mug of beer. The sun was setting and from where we sat munching our sandwich, we could see the exquisite tints on the waving grain and the peasants leaving the fields after their day's work. There was such sweet peace over all; and for this seclusion Wagner selected Bayreuth for the performances of his works. Everybody knows how the Bavarians tried to persuade him to choose Munich, their gay capital.

The peasants, too, have their fun during the festival. They drop their work in the fields and gather at the roadside, where they study the fashions of the great ladies on their way to the theatre. A little maid timidly offers you a nosegay for "nur funf pfennig, Meine Dame," and an urchin, only half clad, darts suddenly from a group, singles out a carriage, and proceeds to deliver himself of a series of summersaults by the side of it with such persisteney that the Prince of Wales, who happens to be the unfortunate victim, laughingly throws him a coin from the royal equipage.

The trumpeters gave the signal for the beginning of the third act as we were finishing our supper, and we went back to witness the downfall of Klingsor and his black art, the death and redemption of Kundry, the Herodias of Scripture, and the triumph of the Holy Grail in the coming of Parsifal, the emblem of the greatness of the Christian idea of God.

It was over at ten o'clock. The curtains parted once after the great burst of applause, disclosing the last scene, and then we came away, for we knew no amount of applause could bring the artists before the curtains. Wagner never allowed his dead to rise. We came down the hill in the moonlight, the trees by the roadside casting weird fantastic shadows, and in that multitude there was no sound save the rumbling of wheels. Even the coachmen seemed subdued. We had witnessed the solemn celebration of the death and suffering of our Lord and it had meant more than play acting to us.

Bayreuth is the Oberammergau to music lovers, and Parsifal, which is never to be given on any other stage, the passion play.

We are going to Wagner's home, Villa Wahnfried, tomorrow. His grave, which is in the garden, is covered during the festival with wreaths and flowers, which the singers reverently and lovingly place there. We are also going to Liszt's grave which is in the cemetery. Then when we have seen Liszt's home, which is just across the street from Wahnfried, the old opera house, the palace of the mad king Ludwig, and some other places of note, we will take the afternoon train to Dresden.

I wonder what time it is? I—. But there is Mrs. Dailey calling.

"Mary!"

"Yes."

"Are you asleep?"

"No."

"Well, I have a plan. I am going to ask this woman for her card tomorrow and confront her with the whole fraud. But it is a nice place, isn't it? This is the most comfortable bed I have found in Germany—almost as soft as mine at home. Now go to sleep for it is late."

"Yes. Good night."

My curtains are drawn aside. The land is flooded with moonlight and a nightingale sings some where near. I see the theatre, a black giant mass, looming majestically against the sky—a fitting monument to crown the hill at the foot of which sleeps the greatest musical genius the world has ever known—Richard Wagner. I feel that I am on sacred ground.

"Thou Holy Art! How oft in sad gray hours,
When life seemed dull and hopeless unto me,
Hast thou upheld me with thy mighty powers,
And oped a purer, better world to me.

"Oft has a tone from thy great harp immortal,
Smoothed out the wrinkles from my troubled brow.
Unlocked for me of Paradise the portal;
Thou blessed Art. I thank thee for it now!"

Trinity College Notes.

Great interest is manifested in the special religious services conducted by Rev. S. B. Turrentine, of Charlotte. The services are well attended, and Mr. Turrentine has been preaching with great power. He has greatly endeared himself to the College community.

Mr. S. W. Anderson, of Wilson, has been elected Chief Marshal for next Commencement. Mr. M. C. Guthrie, of Southport, is Manager. The assistants have not yet been appointed.

The London Times is arranging to get out a supplement to the Encyclopedia Britanica, and President Hadley, of Yale, is American Editor. Dr. J. S. Bassett, of the department of History at Trinity, has been engaged to revise the article on North Carolina for this work.

Trinity Park, March 23, 1900.

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Druggists sell Mother's Friend for $1 a bottle.
The Bradfield Regulator Co., Atlanta, Ga.
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Mr. H. M. Pemberton's Invention.

In the list of new patents just granted we notice that our townsman, Mr. H. M. Pemberton, has been granted a patent on his "Folding Shield, or Guard for Locomotive Windows." So far as we can learn, this patent is an entirely new idea, and if it works well in practical use, and there seems no reason why it should not do so, will be a great boon to all engineers and firemen, and will prevent many railroad wrecks, which are now almost unavoidable. This valuable patent is for the purpose of protecting the front window of a locomotive from being obscured by rain, snow or ice, thus permitting the engineer or fireman an uninterrupted view of the track without having to expose his head and shoulders from the side widow, as is invariably the case in foul weather.

Mr. Pemberton will make his first experiments on the A. C. L. engines, for which he has the permission and hearty co-operation of the officials of that company. The technical description of the patent is as follows:

A shield for the purposes described, comprising a series of telescopic sections, one of which is rigidly secured over the upper portion of the window or other opening, the remainder being of successively-increasing sizes, whereby they can be closed upon each other to rest upon the fixedly-secured section, each of the several sections consisting of parallel pendent sides, and a top or cross member, each of the pendent sides having a guide portion, said guide portions, being arranged whereby they are slidably connected with each other and means operative from the inside of the window over which the shield is applied for closing or extending the said shield, as specified.

Died of a Broken Heart.

News reaches us last Friday from several very reliable sources that a young lady just 21 years old died in Flea Hill township Monday literally of a broken heart.

Several years ago this young lady was engaged to a young man of the neighborhood. He went to Georgia to seek his fortune. On Sunday last he returned home and visited all his neighbors, except his former sweetheart. He took no notice of her whatever. When the young lady appeared at breakfast Monday morning her distress is said to have been awful to behold; and she finally fled screaming from the room. Her mother went to comfort her, but it was of no avail, and with the words "Tell —— I love him and died of a broken heart," she suddenly expired.

The above is vouched for by several of the leading citizens of Flea Hill, but for obvious reasons we withhold the names of the parties concerned.

Nine Years' Growth of Red Springs.

Red Springs Record.

As we are preparing a sketch of the town, past, present and future, we would be glad to have any interesting notes on this subject, from the readers of this paper. Let us show the rapid growth in the past, and bright outlook for the future.

We would be glad to have every business house represented in this sketch. Are you an advertiser?

Nine years ago both hotels now here were not built, but finished during 1891.

February 1891 Contractor Ellis, of Fayetteville, and 25 hands began work on Hotel Townsend. That was the boom year.

Picture in your imagination what will be the condition of Red Springs in ten more years. What will be the enrollment at the Academy and the Seminary? What will be the population? Will we have electric lights, sewerage, waterworks, factories?

The Bill for Current Appropriation for the Upper Cape Fear.

Introduced in February by Hon. C. R. Thomas, making an appropriation for works of improvement and maintenance of improvement of the Cape Fear River, above Wilmington, North Carolina.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that the sum of thirty thousand dollars be, and is hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be immediately available, and to be expended by the Secretary of War for works of improvement and maintenance of improvement of the Cape Fear River above Wilmington, North Carolina.

Section 2. And it is hereby enacted, that, of said sum of thirty thousand dollars, the sum of five thousand dollars shall be expended for maintenance of the improvement, including snagging; and the sum of twenty five thousand dollars shall be expended for further and additional works of improvement of said river, especially with the view of removing all snags, sunken logs and rocks from the bed of said river and overhanging trees from its banks, dredging all shoals, and making said river navigable for steamers from the head of navigation at Fayetteville to Elizabethtown, Bladen county, and thence to Wilmington, North Carolina, according to the existing project.

[This bill is independent of Mr. Thomas's new bill for a survey looking to canalization.]

A NIGHT OF TERROR.

"Awful anxiety was felt for the widow of the brave General Burnham, of Machias, Me., when the doctors said she could not live till morning," writes Mrs. S. H. Lincoln, who attended her that fearful night. "All thought she must soon die from Pneumonia, but she begged for Dr. King's New Discovery, saying it had more than once saved her life, and had cured her of Consumption. After three small doses she slept easily all night, and its further use completely cured her." This marvelous medicine is guaranteed to cure all Throat, Chest and Lung Diseases. Only 50c. and $1 00. Trial bottles free at B. E. Sedberry & Sons drug store.

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FOURTH — Because it is the standard remedy in all throat and lung affections.

No household should be without it. It can be taken in summer as well as in winter.

50c. and $1.00, all druggists.
SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York.

Surveying Another Road.

Capt. Jno. W. Hays, who made the survey on the Cape Fear river last winter is now, with part of the same force, making a survey of a railroad from Duketon, on Mr. Angier's road, to the Cape Fear river and will strike the river near Purifoy Ferry, about 3 miles above Lillington.

The Dunn Banner says:

We are informed that another line will be surveyed from some point on same road that will run by Chalk Level to Buck Horn falls on Cape Fear river. One of these lines will probably cross the river, more than likely the lower line near Lillington. We are not informed which way it will go from the river.

The Itinerary Arranged

With the exception of Fayetteville, Charlotte and Rocky Mount (which will be announced later) Chairman Simmons has arranged the itinerary for the Democratic candidates as follows:

Burlington, April 16th.
Winston, April 17th.
Greensboro, April 17th (night).
Hickory, April 18th.
Asheville, April 19th.
Murphy, April 21st.
Bryson City, April 23rd.
Waynesville, April 24th.
Marion, April 25th.
Shelby, April 26th.

To Archibald, Duncan, John, Neill, Malcom and Hector McNeill, or Their Descendants.

Correspondence of the Observer.]

Miss Margaret McNeill, of Flinty Post Office, Yancy county, N. C., wishes to know something of her relatives in Robeson. Her father, John McNeill, married Sarah McMillan, of Robeson, and moved to Cheraw, S. C., long ago and from thence to Yancey county, N. C. Her brothers were Archibald, Duncan, John, Neill, Malcom and Hector McNeill. She was born in Robeson county 75 years ago, and would like to hear from her relatives there. Address

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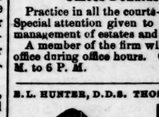

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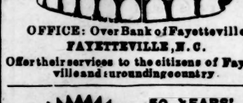

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—William J. Bryan to National Committeeman C. S. Thomas, of Colorado.

RALEIGH LETTER.

State Convention Next Wednesday and the Probable Results.

EVIDENT DEMAND FOR A STATE PRIMARY.

To Settle Senatorship Question---Convention to Order it for November---The Lieut.-Governorship---May be Aycock and Cuningham by Acclamation---Close Contests for Treasurer, Secretary of State and Auditor---Numerous Items of News of General Interest.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

RALEIGH, N. C., April 3.

Well, gentlemen, you can begin to pack your grips and purchase your tickets for Raleigh ("free passes" have played out, I believe); the State convention meets next week—and we are expecting you, all of you.

Chances are that over one thousand delegates and alternates will be here, to say nothing of the "visiting statesmen," and on Wednesday there is going to be the greatest Democratic love feast held in this State in many years. Many of the old-time "shouters" will be present to enliven the occasion, and after the ticket is formally born the convention will form itself into a sort of White Brotherhood jollification meeting.

What could be more natural or more appropriate—these delegates (representing 90 per cent. of the white people of North Carolina) grapling their racial bonds and bolitical ties and personal friendship together "with hcoks of steel," and pledging their lives and their fortunes to the one great cause of White Supremacy, to be obtained through the triumphant adoption of the proposed Constitutional Amendment!

A majority of less than 50,000 ought not to satisfy us. It ought to be 100,000, for every white man in North Carolina ought to accept it as a sacred duty and vote for it.

AYCOCK AND HIS RUNNING MATE.

Of course we all know it is going to be Governor Aycock, and by acclamation, for, I take it, Mr. Davidson will yet retire from the contest before the ballot for Governor is taken in the convention.

It is the duty of every true party man to listen to the demands of the majority of his party—and it is his bounden duty to accept any trust his party sees fit to impose upon him and to make the fight for his people.

It is probable that Colonel Cuningham will be nominated for Lieutenant-Governor by acclamation also—at least after one ballot is taken, if not before. It is very evident that he is the choice of the majority and will be nominated on the first ballot by a large majority. Under the circumstances it will be his duty to accept.

Most Democrats whom I have heard talk on the subject, especially Mr. Aycock's original supporters, very freely state that they think the honor of a nomination by acclamation is due Col. Cuningham, and that it should be tendered him, under all the circumstances.

It is very evident that the most astute party leaders think this the proper thing to do, because it is important that Col. Cuningham be placed on the ticket. His reputation as a farmer and business man, coupled with the splendid legal ability and oratorical powers of Mr. Aycock, will make an invincible team. And, then, Cuningham's candidacy will draw closely to the party the farming classes all over the State, including the 15,000 ex-Pops. who voted with us at the last election and who must be held in line.

As to the section of the State—Cuningham is from Person, west of Raleigh. But the individuality and reputation of the man, and the strength he would add to the ticket, outweigh the "sectional" question and make him the logical running mate of Mr. Aycock.

THE STATE PRIMARY FOR SENATOR.

It seems altogether probable that the State Primary (to settle the question of who shall be the Democratic successor to Marion Butler) will be ordered by the State convention according to the recommendation of the Democratic State Committee at its last meeting.

It will be set for November, of course,—on the day Congressmen and Presidential Electors are to be voted for.

This is believed, by most of the party leaders and the masses alike, to be by far the best and most *satisfactory* method of settling the question—because it will be in the interest of neither candidate, and will effectually eliminate the Senatorial controversy from the State campaign, and will therefore not be allowed to interfere with the success of the Amendment as it otherwise would.

There will then be no squabble in the counties over the selection of candidates for the Legislature because this or that legislative aspirant favors this or that candidate for the Senate. Many of the contests for county and legislative nominations will be at their beight just before and pending the August election, and the State convention will have acted wisely, for this if there were no other reasons, in transferring the Senatorial fight from the county nominating conventions this summer to a State Primary in the fall—after the Amendment has been voted on.

But, aside from these reasons, the people are now demanding to have a direct voice in the selection of their United States Senators, and last week the Democrats of Georgia ordered a State Primary to select the successor to Senator Bacon, the latter approving of the plan.

In South Carolina and a dozen or score of other States the Primary plan has been in vogue for years, and it is significant of its success that the people will not tolerate or listen to a change of the system. The time has evidently come when North Carolina demands it also, although there has been a studied avoidance of the question in some counties by some of the local leaders.

Letters received from delegates to the State convention from some of these counties state that they have been unable to secure proper information at home on the question, and have asked it of prominent Democrats elsewhere.

CLOSE CONTESTS FOR OTHER OFFICES.

And right here the certainty ends—I could not tell you who the Treasurer or Secretary of State or Auditor or Attorney General will be, much less which of the "smaller fry" are likely to escape the net of defeat.

Ben Lacy and Henry A. London appear to lead, and in the order mentioned, for treasurer; but the friends of Boushall, Everett and Burgwyn are still sanguine.

For Secretary of State Col. J. Bryan Grimes and Hon. Dan. Hugh McLean appear to be the favorites, although the friends of Hon. W. P. Wood are still active and hopeful.

The Auditorship and the Attorney Generalship are likely to "go west", if McLean or Grimes is successful. But whether Pearson or Dixon or Holman for auditor, and Gilmer or Jerome for Attorney General, it is impossible to say. If the east gets a chance at the Attorney General's place, Frank Winston and Charles F. Warren are to be counted as possible winners also.

The Labor Commissionership is unsettled. If Lacy is defeated for Treasurer it will be hard for either of the aspirants for his old shoes to prevent the convention from renominating him. If Lacy is named for Treasurer then Varner, James or some western man will be nominated for Labor Commissioner.

The west also gets the Commissioner of Agriculture (Mr. Patterson will be renominated) and one of the Corporation Commissioners (Mr. Rogers, probably, the present incumbent). The west already has the State Librarian and other minor places. So that section will be pretty well provided for.

Col. Cuningham is the only man from the Fifth Congressional district likely to be placed on the ticket. The Third district has only one candidate, McLean. All the other districts have more than one aspirant for honors. Somebody is going to be temporarily disappointed, of course, but nobody is going to "kick" or get sour or cross or sulky, even a little bit. Everybody is going to be happy next week!

GOV. AYCOCK TO ADDRESS ODD FELLOWS.

On April 26th the Odd Fellows all over the country will celebrate the eight-first anniversary of American Odd Fellowship.

In Raleigh there are three prosperous lodges of this order with an active membership of about 500, and these are now taking steps to properly celebrate this anniversary event publicly.

Hon. Charles B. Aycock, who is a member of the order, will deliver an address on that occasion. Other speeches will be made and an interesting musical programme is being arranged. Visiting Odd Fellows in Raleigh on this occasion will find a cordial reception and experience a most enjoyable time.

Rev. Dr. A. A. Marshall, of Forsythe, Georgia, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the First Baptist church of Raleigh, succeeding Rev. Dr. J. W. Carter. Dr. Carter was the most eloquent pulpit orator of which any Raleigh church could boast, and was one of the most unaffected and purest of men. After ten years of service here he returns to his old home in West Virginia, to the regret of the major portion of the members of and worshippers at the First Baptist church, who wish him every blessing in the future.

Citizens of Raleigh contribute $10,000 towards paying off the indebtedness of St. Mary's College here, the trustees of which have bought, largely on time, the beautiful property used by the college for more than half a century. Rev. Mr. Pruden of this Episcopal Diocese has been appointed agent to raise the funds (about $35,000 yet to be secured, I believe) and he will visit every Episcopal community in the State. Others, outside the denomination, have and will assist in the good cause, however.

On next Thursday, the day following the State convention, there will be a meeting of the N. C. Democratic Press Association, and President Dowd expresses the hope that every Democratic newspaper man in the State who can attend will do so.

Some of the newspapers are urging through communications, that Col. Thos. W. Mason be restored to his old position on the Railroad Commission, to which Otho Wilson was appointed by the fusion legislature. Col. Mason is also regarded as one of the leading candidates for the Congressional nomination in his district. He would ornament and ably fill any position to which he was elected.

There is a small exodus of negro cooks from Raleigh, Charlotte, and perhaps other Southern towns, to the North. Yankee agents are here offering them $15 per month and transportation to New York. The bait has caught quite a number. They can be spared --especially the poor ones, which form the majority---but experience proves that most of the negroes who have gone North have been anxious to return South, and many have done so at the first opportunity. The average Yankee and genuine negro "don't gee worth a cent"---largely because the Northern people do not, and never have and never will, understand the Southern darkey.

The death of Mary Troy, 14 year-old daughter of Congressman Kluttz, in a Baltimore infirmary last week, has caused much sympathy for the afflicted parents. Mr. Kluttz is said to have been devoted to this child and the blow is a severe one to him.

Delegates to the Democratic State Convention will be entitled to reduced railroad rates, on account of arrangements to that effect made by Chairman Simmons. The reduced rate holds good from April 9 to 14, inclusive. So you can start for Raleigh Monday and remain until Saturday, if you desire.

The State Fair authorities will this year pay $2,500 in purses for "trials of speed", horse racing. This is more than usual.

Governor Russell has tendered the vacant judgeship, caused by Judge Dossey Battle's death, to Chas. A. Cook of Warren. He has declined the appointment.

A number of Republican and Populist "leaders" and machine manipulators held a secret conference here last week. It is said that pressure is being brought to bear on Dr. Cy. Thomson to make the race for Governor, but that wiley and shrewd politician objects to embracing a forlorn hope.

A big crop of candidates for Superintendent of Instruction have sprung up during the last week or two---cultivated by the many gentlemen who are actively opposing the idea of nominating the present Rep-Pop incumbent, Mr. Mebane.

Mecklenburg, Wake and other of the larger counties will cast their votes for Aycock and Cuningham to lead the ticket. Col. Cuningham carried Mecklenburg last week at the primary, the country precincts especially giving him a very large majority. Wake county primaries also endorsed him last Saturday. LLEWXAM.

Lewis Ackerman, Goshen, Ind., says, "DeWitt's Little Early Risers always bring certain relief, cure my headache and never gripe." They generally cleanse and invigorate the bowels and liver.
King Bros.

AN ENDORSEMENT OF MR. McLEAN.

By the Chairman of the Executive Committee of Johnston County.

Raleigh News and Observer.

Will you permit me to trespass upon your space a little, to speak a word for a life-long friend? If so, I wish to state what I know of Daniel Hugh McLean, who is an aspirant for the nomination for Secretary of State.

I know all of the men whose names will be presented for that place. All are excellent men and good Democrats. Each would make a good officer if elected. But it seems to me that there are more elements of availability in the candidacy of Mr. McLean than any other man, and that he is the man for this occasion.

He has served his party faithfully for thirty-five years and he has never held a lucrative office. For a third of a century, whenever the result of the election in Harnett county was in doubt, or a great crisis was upon the State, the Democracy of Harnett county called on Daniel Hugh McLean to make the fight. He made it over and over again. He served as Chairman of the County Executive Committee. He was sent to the Legislature in 1876 and made an honorable record. He was Presidential elector in 1880 and made a splendid canvass of his own district and assisted in other districts. In 1894 he was called upon to make and did manfully make a fight for the Senate in the hopeless district of Sampson, Bladen and Harnett. In 1898 he was called upon to lead the fight for the restoration of White Supremacy, and what a fight he made! He came to the Legislature as the representative of Harnett, redeemed, and he made a noble record. On the first day he introduced a Jim Crow Car bill, and on every occasion he upheld the cause of good government and White Supremacy.

After the work of restoring White Supremacy had been accomplished, Mr. McLean's next thought was for his old comrades in arms who had fallen upon evil days and were in distress and he was one of the leaders in the effort to make larger provision for the old Confederate veterans and for the Soldiers' Home. These men were nearest his heart and he showed on every occasion that he was their friend. The old soldiers, and the afflicted, the orphans, the insane, the deaf, the dumb, and the blind, he worked for these people as if they had been his constituency. Few will forget, who heard, his speech in behalf of the appropriations for the Soldiers' Home and the Blind Asylum.

When he returned home, he began at once the work of explaining the Constitutional Amendment to the people, and at picnics, reunions, at courts, at club meetings, in Harnett, Cumberland, Sampson and Johnston counties his voice has been heard, urging the people to make White Supremacy permanent.

This is the man's record as a Democrat.

As a soldier it is magnificent. He volunteered when less than sixteen years of age and fought through the war, surrendering at Appomattox. The world's history shows no more heroic character than that of a Southern boy fighting four years, the last two, weary, hopeless years, never asking for a favor nor for a furlough; seeing a brother killed by his side, but giving the supreme proof of his loyalty to his State by fighting bravely to the very end. Dan Hugh McLean was one of these boys. He has never forgotten his old comrades in arms; they will not forget him.

Af a man his character is equally lofty. I have known him for twenty-five years and I have never heard even an enemy charge him with doing an underhand or tricky act. His life is an open book. He scorns the arts of the demagogue; the tricks of the shyster he does not understand. He is a high type of the Cape Fear Scotchman; bold, honest, brave, true, with the activity and energy of the new South, and the chivalry and courtesy of the old South. He is one of Nature's noblemen, a Cristian gentleman.

He is available at this time. He stands not close to the people, but he stands with them. He has all his life been a farmer and nearly all of his life he has lived on his farm. He cultivates his farm regularly. He knows the grievances of the farmer and they have no more zealous champion than he. He is an outspoken enemy of every trust, as his record in the Legislature shows.

He is a splendid campaigner. If he is nominated, he can meet any man on the stump whom the enemy may put up. Much depends in this campaign upon the ability of our speakers to explain the amendment. McLean can do this as few men can do.

He will make an excellent officer. His legal ability will be useful. The laws must be indexed and side noted. If anyone will examine the Acts of 1897, it will be seen how badly indexes can sometimes be made. McLean's knowledge of law and his experience in legislative work will be a guarantee that he will not issue such volumes as the Laws of 1897.

He comes from a part of the State which has had but scant recognition in the distribution of offices. He comes from the Cape Fear. He comes from the Third Congressional district and he is the only man from the Third district who is a candidate for any office before the State convention. I don't know, but I believe that the Third is the only district in the State which is asking for the nomination of one man only.

There are eleven State officers to be nominated and two electors at large. There are nine districts. The Third district asks for only one place, Secretary of State, and she asks that Daniel Hugh McLean be named for it.

In conclusion, in the person of Dan Hugh McLean we have:

A Confederate veteran of four years' service.

A Democratic worker for more than thirty years, who has had none of the substantial rewards for party work.

A legislator of experience.

A splendid campaigner, without fear and without reproach.

A Christian gentleman.

Behind him comes all the Cape Fear country solid, asking for the nomination, and counties all over the State joining in the request.

I predict that he will be nominated, and that the campaign he makes will be a memorable one.

This is written without the knowledge of Mr. McLean.

ALLEN K. SMITH.

Smithfield, N. C., March 24, 1900.

Attention Confederate Veterans!

Camp 852 United Confederate Veterans will meet at the Town Hall at 11 o'clock A. M., Saturday, April 14th, for the purpose of electing officers; making preparations for attending the Louisville Reunion; and attending to such other business as may come before it.

By order of the Commander.

To secure the original witch hazel salve, ask for DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, well known as a certain cure for piles and skin diseases. Beware of worthless counterfeits. They are dangerous. King Bros.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, D. C., April 2, 1900.

Are legal opinions made to order by United States officials? It is charged that Charles E. Magoon, law officer of the division on insular affairs of the War Department, first wrote an opinion that the United States Constitution was, by force of the Paris treaty, extended over Porto Rico and the Philippines, which he was compelled to suppress and then to write another taking exactly the opposite stand. The last opinion has been made the foundation for the whole republican imperialistic programme and the Senate has just ordered three thousand additional copies of it to be printed. Representative Richardson, the democratic leader of the House, desiring to get at the truth, has offered a resolution calling for copies of all of the opinions written by Mr. Magoon.

The Administration Programme is to jam the Porto Rican bill, tariff and all, through both Senate and House this week. It is certain that the Senate will pass it tomorrow, and probable that the House will do likewise later, notwithstanding the talk of republican members that they would vote for free trade if given another opportunity.

The Senate and all Washington are still laughing, and are likely to be for days to come, at the humorous speech of Senator Pettus, in which he held Senator Beveridge, a would-be Demosthenes, up to ridicule, for his speech declaring his opposition to the Porto Rico bill tand his intention to vote for it. The Senate and galleries were in a continuons roar of laughter from the beginning to the end of the remarks of Senator Pettus. After rubbing it in on Beveridge for charging all those who didn't agree with him, with enmity towards the government, Mr. Pettus said: "The government in his mind is—

'Me and my wife,
My son John and his wife
Us four
And no more.'"

Mr. Pettus told this Biblical story at the close of his speech: "The Master once had to select a man to lead the children of Israel out of Egypt and through the wilderness to Canaan. He did not select an orator. No, he selected one of those wise men, and his name was Moses. And he was a stuttering man, too. But Moses told his Master to his face that he could not do it, because he could not speak to the people, and what was the reply? 'There is Aaron, he speaks well.' And they took Aaron along, not in command, that was not allowed; but they took him along as a kind of deputy. And when Moses, on his Master's order, went up into the mountains for the tables, the orator left in charge had a golden calf framed and he put all the people to worshipping the golden calf—more prople worship the golden calf now now than did in those days. But while Aaron and his people were all down worshipping the golden calf, the man of God appeared, and he pulled out his sword and demanded to know 'who is on the Lord's side?' Then the orator jumped up from his knees, drew his sword and got on Moses's side and went to killing the Israelites along with Moses. All these orators will do the same thing—the last one of them."

Representative Rhea, of Kentucky, made a rattling good speech at a mass meeting of Washington democrats, in which he referred to Chairman Payne, the republican House leader, as "the statesman with the one-night-stand state of mind," and to Representative Grosvenor, as the "garrulous gabbler, from Ohio, who acts as mouth-piece for the White House Sphinx." After picturing various phases of administration wabbling, which he likened to the track of a snake, Mr. Rhea said: "Oh, manhood, where is thy shame? Oh, McKinley, where is thy blush? Oh, McKinley, you are the saddest spectacle that ever rattled helplessly around in the seat filled by Washington, Jefferson and Jackson, and which will be filled by Bryan. You are the pitiful creature of the trusts, the combines and the monopolies, which have made you, maintained you, and still feed you."

The democrats of the House will antagonize the Naval Appropriation bill, as reported on three grounds—armor-plate, construction of ships in government yards and the general extravagance of the bill, which carries $61,000,000, against $35,000,000 for the current fiscal year. The miuority report favors the establishment of a government armor-plate plant.

It is suspected that a desire to increase the republican campaign fund for this year is behind the announcement that the Cabinet is considering the feasibility of recommending to Congress, a reduction of the war taxes, which are piling up a surplus in the Treasury, in spite of the fact that the receipts from the Dingley tariff are many millions below the advance estimate of the republicans. Without the war taxes there would have been a deficit of more than $50,000,000, instead of a surplus considerably in excess of that amount. It is said that the brewers are being sounded as to their willingness to contribute a proportionate amount to the Hanna corruption fund, if the administration will recommend a reduction of the beer tax to Congress.

We are glad to greet the "Pamlico Enterprise," a new weekly just started at Bayboro, the county seat of Pamlico. W. T. Caho, Esq., is the editor and proprietor. It is strongly Democratic in politics, and starts off well. Success to it.

March Dispensary Report.

Stock on hand Mch. 1st,		$4 351 53
Purchases for March,		5,597.75
		$9,949.28
Stock on hand April 1st, 1900,	$6,303.56	
Sales as per vouch'rs,	4,732 80	
	$11,036 36	
Gross profits,		$1,087 08
Expenses and freights,		383.30
Net profit,		$ 703 78

The Atlanta Daily Constitution

Now Running a Special Campaign Offer, Only $1 00.

The Constitution, of Atlanta, Ga., is now offering its Daily and Sunday editions complete to new subscribers, from the date the order reaches that office until July 7th, for only $1 00. July 7th will take the subscriber past the date of the Bryan Nominating Convention at Kansas City on July 4th. In the meantime all the State Conventions will have acted, as well as the Republican National Convention at Philadelphia in June. The Constitution always covers the news completely, and this exceptional offer will perhaps test the capacity of their full plant. In connection with the $1.00 Campaign offer, each such subscriber may cast a ballot naming his choice or judgment as to the Democratic and Republican nominees for President and Vice-President, and $350 00 in prizes will be given to the accurate ballots.

The sooner you send for it the longer you will get the paper for your dollar.

The Louisville Reunion.

The following circular, issued to Camps of the United Confederate Veterans, will be of interest at this time:

HEADQUARTERS 2nd BRIG., N. C. DIV., U. C. V.,
PITTSBORO, N. C., March 17, 1900.
Circular.

The following order from Division Headquarters is forwarded for your information and guidance.

Answer Paragragh 2 to Brigade Headquarters as soon as possible.

HEADQUARTERS N. C. DIVISION,
United Confederate Veterans,
Durham, N. C., Mar. 10, 1900.
General Orders No. 3.

Par. 1. The Major General Commanding the N. C. Div. U. C. V. announces that the tenth annual Reunion of the United Confederate Veterans, will be held at Louisville, Ky., May 30-31 and June 1-2-3, and for the information of his command, issues the following orders.

Par. 2. Brigade Commanders will at once ascertain the present strength of their respective Camps and the probable number who will attend said Reunion and inform division headquarters without delay. This information is indispensable to perfecting the details of the trip.

Par. 3. All general Officers and their respective staffs and Commanders of Camps will be expected to wear the uniform of their rank prescribed by Quarter-Master General J. F. Shipp. (Chattanooga, Tenn.) in pursuance of Resolution adopted at the Charleston Reunion, May 12, 1899.

Par. 4. The railroad fare for the round trip will be one cent per mile. Comrades Bennett H. Young and James A. Shuttleworth will gladly entertain every Confederate soldier from the Old North State, who will accept of their hospitality. No Confederate Soldier from North Carolina need be at a cent's expense during his stay in Louisville; and his badge of "Confederate Soldier," will be his ticket of admission to all theatres and places of amusement.

By order of MAJ. GENL. J. S. CARR.
WM. H. S. BURGWYN,
Adjt Genl. and Chief of Staff.

Your attention is also called to the requirement, that the per capita tax of 10c. for each member of your Camp is due April 1st, and is to be sent direct to Maj. Genl. Geo. Moorman, Adj't Genl., 824 Common St., New Orleans, La.

By order of
Brig. Genl. W. L. LONDON.
J. G. RENCHER,
A. A. G. and Chief of Staff.

The Way to Pretoria.

The Philadelphia Record thus sums up the situation confronting Lord Roberts:

The sharp resistanee encountered by the advance guard sent northward from Bloemfontein by Lord Roberts led at once to the strengthening of the British outpost force, so that there are now from 12,000 to 15,000 troops at Glen, ten miles north of the Free State capital. A few miles beyond this point is the Modder River, the bridge over which has been destroyed. There are five other bridges over considerable streams crossing the line of railway to Kroonstad, where the first line of Boer intrenchments will be encountered. Lord Roberts' engineer corps, it will be observed, will find ample occupation hereafter in reconstructing the necessary bridges, culverts and other adjuncts of a working railroad along the line of march to Pretoria.

It is along the line of the streams which flow eastwardly into the Vaal River that the opposition to Lord Roberts' advance will be chiefly concentrated. Thus there are possible lines of defense on the Vet, Sand, Otter and Valsh rivers—the latter, which flows near Kroonstad, affording the strongest natural obstacles for utilization against an attacking force. Thirty miles beyond Kroonstad the railway crosses the Vaal River—at this point a broad, deep and rapid stream, the successful passage of which would constitute a military feat of heroic proportions. From the great river through Johannesburg to Pretoria, a distance of sixty-five miles, the march must be over an arid veldt, broken by isolated kopjes which might easily be fortified to harass an invading army. The 300-mile expedition in force from the Free State capital to the Transvaal seat of government promises at the outset to rank among the most difficult military undertakings ever executed by modern warlike genius.

The real difficulties and unknown dangers of the central problem of Transvaal subjugation, which have caused the British commanders such evident anxiety, have become apparent also to the mass of the British public, which seems now to have forgotten minor movements of the campaign in the absorbing interest of the main struggle. The pacification of the Cape Colony Dutch, the movements of General Buller's army in Northern Natal and even the critical position of the Mafeking garrison have largely ceased to arouse popular attention or enthusiasm. England expects something sensational and glorious from Lord Roberts and the vast army under his command, and will brook no disappointment.

The Salisbury Truth-Index is an admirably edited newspaper, and straight as a die in its Democratic course.

Bladen County News.

DUBLIN, N. C., March 31, 1900.

J. H. Smith, Esq., of Abbottsburg, had a slight stroke of paralysis on the 26th inst.

Mrs. William James Cromartie, of Garland, and her son, John Cromartie, died within an hour of each other on the 13th inst.

Mrs. Christopher Monroe, of White Hall, was badly burned recently, but was some better at last accounts.

Solicitor Colin M. McLean attended Cumberland Superior Court this week.

Mr. T. J. Purdie went to Wilmington on business this week.

The Democratic Convention of Bladen county, convened at Elizabethtown March 28th. It was called to order by Hon. C. C. Lyon, chairman of the County Executive Committee, and F. M. Willis and E. F. McCulloch acted as secretaries.

On motion, the temporary organization was made permanent.

The convention was well attended, and the people feel confident of a glorious victory next August.

The delegates to the State Convention are: C. C. Lyon, C. M. McLean, A. M. McNeill, J. J. McMillan, E. F. McCulloch, G. H. Currie, W. S. Clark, O. L. Clark, F. M. Willis, J. D. Gilliam and Homer L. Lyon.

Congressional Convention—C. W. Lyon, Gilmore Edwards, N. A. Currie, J. K. Pierce, J. C. Stanley, T. N. Maultsby, R. H. Marshburn, A. E. Cain, E. C. Clark, J. R. Hester, B. A. Downing, J. B. West, Frank Sessoms, L. E. Squires, Wm. Whitted, W. B. Singletary, J. M. Melvin, J. W. Downing, Maj. Jno. Monroe, J. T. Martin, M. N. Tatum, D. J. Priest, R. J. McEwen, I. H. Smith, C. O. Mercer, M. Singletary, J. W. Smith, J. F. Parker, W. I. Shaw, J. D. Beatty.

Senatorial Convention—J. W. C. Ballentine, S. W. (Ray) Edwards, Gus Bullard, Zeb Vance Edwards, W. F. McNeill, N. G. Brisson, P. L. Callihan, F. D. McLean, R. L. Bridger, A. Shaw, J. N. Kelly, Dr. G. L. Clark, J. B. McFadyen, J. S. Nicholson, K. B. Council, S. Cromartie, A. B. Reeves, L. Patterson, D. M. Currie, R. P. Melvin, Jr., J. R. Mulford, J. W. Shaw, J. W. Hall, W. J. Kemp, A. Hocutt, D. L. Armstrong, W. J. McDuffie, J. H. Porter, E. L. Henry, E. H. Anders, T. J. Purdie, C. H. Burney, J. E. Willis, J. N. Corbitt, D. Leonard, T. Sessoms, J. S. Melvin, B. F. Tatum, W. R. McBryde, J. E. Cromartie, W. T. Porter, D. T. Perry, L. P. Tatum, D. J. Owen and Arthur Council.

After the convention adjourned the county executive committee met and re-elected Hon. C. C. Lyon chairman and Francis M. Willis, Esq, secretary of the committee.

The Democratic primary of this (Bethel township) met March 24th and appointed delegates to the county convention, and elected the following township executive committee: G. F. Allen, chairman; J. J. McMillan, secretary; N. G. Brisson, Gilmore Edwards, A. J. Evans.

It appears almost certain now that Mr. C. B. Aycock will get the nomination for Governor.

We hope that Hon. Dan Hugh McLean, the distinguished orator of Harnett county, will get the nomination for Secretary of State. "M."

Fayetteville Presbytery.

Acting under the advice of the Health Officer of Moore County and by virtue of the authority vested in me (see Minutes of G. A. 1899, p. 430) the Spring Meeting of Presbytery is changed from St. Andrews Church to Fayetteville, and the Presbytery of Fayetteville is hereby called to meet in regular session in the Presbyterian Church at Fayetteville, on Tuesday, April 17, 1900, at 7:45 p. m.

H. TUCKER GRAHAM,
Moderator.

P. R LAW,
Stated Clerk.

[Ministers and Elders expecting to attend will please inform Mr. R. M. Prior without delay, stating *when and by what route* you expect to come.]

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Miss Kate Sinclair, of St. Paul's Robeson county, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jas. Evans, on Russell street.

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As indications of the change appear be sure your physical condition is good. The experience is a wonderful one and under some circumstances full of menace. Mrs. Pinkham, of Lynn, Mass., will give you her advice without charge.

TALKS WITH WOMEN OF MIDDLE AGE

She has done so much for women, surely you can trust her. Read this letter from MRS. M. C. GRIFFING, of Georgeville, Mo.:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—The doctor called my trouble ulceration of womb and change of life. I was troubled with profuse flowing and became very weak. When I wrote to you I was down in bed, had not sat up for six months; was under a doctor's treatment all the time, but it did me no good. I had almost given up in despair, but your Vegetable Compound has made me feel like a new woman. I cannot thank you enough. I would advise any woman who is afflicted as I have been to write to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., and get her advice and be cured as I have been."

MRS. F. H. ALLEN, 419 Nebraska Ave., Toledo, Ohio, writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Change of life was working on me. My kidneys and bladder were affected. I had been confined to the house all summer, not able to stand on my feet for any length of time. Terrible pains when urinating and an itching that nearly drove me wild. I had tried many remedies. I told my husband I had great faith in yours and he got me a bottle; am now on my fourth bottle. I feel that I am entirely cured. I can work all day. I can hardly realize that such a wonderful cure is possible. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the best medicine for women."

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BEAVER DAM ITEMS.

BEAVER DAM, March 26, 1900.

The warm weather seems very much like spring had come to stay at last. We hope cold weather has passed into the back numbers for this season.

Miss E. C. Melvin has closed her school in Bladen and returned home for awhile. She expects to go to the Baptist Female University at Raleigh very soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hales spent some time the first of the week with Mr. Bun Hales of Beaver Creek.

Mr. Frank Hall visited friends around Fayetteville Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. D. J. Horne is very sick, we are sorry to say.

Rev. Mr. Brunt, of Winnie, N. C., preached an able sermon at Peter's Creek church last Sunday. It is certainly a pleasure to hear a man like Mr. Brunt, who is so able, learned and eloquent.

Miss Lanty Rollins, of the "Sunny Neck" region, spent last Saturday and Sunday on Beaver Dam visiting friends.

Mr. V. C. Bullard returned from Wake Forest last week. Mr. Bullard was one of the lucky applicants who applied for law license. He passed through successfully, and we hope he will make a bright, legal light in his chosen profession. He will locate in Fayetteville.

Miss Lizzie Simmons closed her school in district No. 3, last week. Miss Simmons proved to be amost excellent teacher, and all the patrons seemed well pleased, so much so, that the committee engaged her to teach again next Fall.

Mr. A. A. Hales and Miss Cornie Vinson were married March 25th, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. J. L. Vinson, J. S. Horne, Esq., officiating. Mr. Hales is one of our best boys, and his bride one of our prettiest and best girls. We wish them a long and happy life.

We see that Col. Cuningham has declined to go in the convention as a candidate for Governor and has acted very patriotically in the matter. This should give him a warm place in the hearts of the Democrats of the State. Now let's come together as one man and nominate Mr. Aycock as our standard-bearer and we will have a man who will be able to handle any one the Rep.-Pop. crowd may put out.

Mr. Jno. House and lady of Idaho, spent Saturday and Sunday in our section.

We do not see many spoken of for Corporation Commissioner. We would be very glad to see our own countyman, Capt. Jas. D. McNeil, placed on the State ticket for this honorable position. If the delegates to the State Convention will take up his case and work for him with the same untiring devotion that he has worked for the party in the past we think his nomination could be secured nicely. If the Democratic party wants to reward party workers where in all the State can we find a more energetic and devoted worker than Capt. McNeill. We believe all parties should reward the ones who do the real party work, and where in all the history of the party in this section of the State can we find a man who has devoted more of his time and given more freely of his means to the Democratic party than Capt. McNeill. All know that he was a candidate before the last Legislature and came in a few votes of getting nominated by the democratic caucus, and we think it would be a fitting tribute to his party devotion, that the delegates from Cumberland take up his cause and push ahead with that determination that always succeeds, and nominate him, if possible. We have not heard Capt. McNeill say he was a candidate for the place, but believe he would serve the party if nominated, and would make a very able commissioner, and would reflect honor on old Cumberland. Capt. McNeill is not one of the kind of men who is always begging for office. He first considers his duty to the party. He has worked hard for many of our boys to get good offices, and now why not return the favor? Therefore let the delegation do all it can for Capt. McNeill. JA K.

Russia Satisfied.

By cable to the Observer

Constantinople, April 2.—It is announced that Russia is satisfied with the Porte's acceptance of her demands for rail road concessions in Asia Minor.

British Officers Escape from Boers.

By cable to the Observer.

Lorenzo Marquez, April 2—Captain Naldane and Lieut. Lemesurier, British officers, have arrived here. They escaped from Pretoria.

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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Carrying American Civilization Among the Filipinos.

New York Dispatch, 16th.

A correspondent of the Evening Post, writing under the date of February 2nd, from Manila, says: "When Gregorio Del Pilar's body was found, American soldiers stripped it of every bit of clothing, taking the rings from the fingers and a locket from the neck. Not a stitch of any kind was left on the body, everything being taken for souvenirs. For two days the body was left by the roadside unburied, until its odor was offensive, and some Igorrotes were ordered to cover it with dirt. Among the things taken were his watch, money, a gold and a diamond ring.

JESSUP SAYINGS.

JESSUP, N. C., March 24, 1900.

Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Jackson, of Gilbert, spent Saturday and Sunday visiting Mrs. Aaron Davidson.

A Sabbath School was organized at Cedar Grove school house Sunday, Mr J. F. Blackman, superintendent, Messrs. S. H. Hargett and G. H. Lewis assistants, and Miss Mattie Wadsworth, secretary.

Mr. J. D. Cole, of Greenwood, is the guest of Mr. C. G Wadsworth.

Senator Jeter C. Pritchard and James E. Boyd will be at Carthage so

THE OBSERVER.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., AP'L 5, 1900

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Correspondence on all subjects of local and general interest and opinions upon matters public of concern, are invited

The editor will not be responsible for the veiws or statements of correspondents —and reserves the right at all times to revise or correct any article he may think requires it.

Correepondence for the Weekly Observer should reach the office not later than Monday.

One side, only, of the paper must be written on—and the real name of the writer accompany the contribution. No attention will be paid to anonymous letters.

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Cook Declines.

A despatch from Warrenton Friday night says:

Hon. Charles A. Cook declines the appointment as judge of the Criminal Court of Eastern North Carolina. His reason for doing so is that it would seriously interfere with other business relations.

Burial of Judge Battle.

A despatch from Rocky Mount Friday night says.

Judge Dossey Battle was buried in the cemetery here at four o'clock yesterday afternoon with Masonic honors.

The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Stone of the Episcopal church. The funeral procession, one of the largest ever seen here, had in it many visitors from the adjacent towns. The honorary pall bearers were: B H. Bunn, Fred Phillips, Jacob Battle, W. L. Thorp, Jno. L. Bridgers, T. T. Thorne, H. A. Gilliam, W. A. Allsbrook, Thos. H. Battle, Jos. P. Pippen, Ed. Pennington, J. H. Baker, Jr., Don Gilliam, Jno. M. Sherwood, F. A. Woodard, W. O. Howard and W. R. Cox.

Superior Court Notes.

The jury in the case of C. B. Autry vs. Dr. E. Floyd (a suit for $3,000 for an alleged malicious prosecution) rendered a verdict Friday afternoon in favor of the plaintiff for $1,500). Saturday morning Judge Bryan told lawyers for the plaintiff that he would set the verdict aside unless they would agree to accept $800, and this they assented to. The defendant took an appeal however.

While the jury was out another divorce case was tried and the application for separation granted to Augusta McNeill from Nathan McNeill.

The court adjonrned for the term at noon.

Mr. Thomas Gets Shad for the Cape Fear, Also.

The following letter shows that our energetic Congressman has been working impartially for all the rivers in his district:

UNITED STATES COMMISSION OF FISH AND FISHERIES,

WASHINGTON, D. C., MARCH 19, 1900.

Hon. C. R. Thomas, House of Representatives.

DEAR SIR:—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of March 17, asking that liberal supplies of shad be placed in the Neuse, Trent, Cape Fear and New Rivers, N. C. It will afford me pleasure to comply as far as possible with your wishes and to make the assignments liberal. The applications for fish for Col. Wharton J. Green, have been placed on file and will be supplied next fall.

Very Respectfully,
GEO. M. BOWERS,
Commissioner.

Capt. J. A. McPherson Elected Register of Deeds.

At the meeting of the County Commissioners Monday, Mr. J. T. Bynum tendered his resignation of the office of Register of Deeds, to take effect at once, which was accepted. Capt. J. A. McPherson was elected to fill the vacancy, the term of the present incumbent expiring on the first Monday in December next.

As our readers know, Mr. Bynum has been contemplating this step ever since he became general storekeeper for the Hope Mills Manufacturing Co., some two months ago, and since that time his charming daughter, Miss Lizzie Bynum, has been acting in his stead, assisted by Mr. Ed. Tyson.

Capt. McPherson, who will fill the office with credit, will probably not take active charge until the first of next week.

At the Baptist Church.

Following a time-honored custom prevailing in the community, the pastors of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches announced from their respective pulpits at the morning service Sunday, that there would be no services in their churches at night, but instead the two congregations would worship with the Baptists and unite with the members of that congregation in welcoming their new paster, Rev. J. S. Porter.

The young minister preached to an overflowing congregation from the text found in Matthew 18:20: "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Both the sermon and the preacher made a fine impression. At the conclusion of the services one member joined the church by letter. Mr. Porter's preaching is characterized by deep earnestness and spiritual power. He gives his hearers the simple gospel, clothed in plain yet beautiful language. His coming among us is an addition to the moral forces of the community, and under his zealous ministry his church and congregation will no doubt go forward in the accomplishment of yet greater good for the cause for which all should strive.

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Destroying its victim, is a type of Constipation. The power of this murderous malady is felt on organs and nerves and muscles and brain. There's no health till it's overcome. But Dr. King's New Life Pills are a safe and certain cure. Best in the world for Stomach, Liver, Kidneys and Bowels. Only 25 cents at B. E. Sedberry & Sons drug store.

Meeting of County Commissioners—Appointment of Tax Listers.

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular monthly session Monday, Chairman A. B. Williams and Commissioners W. HD>w ning and D. G. Blue present.

The following were added to the poor list to be allowed $1 a month: Isabelle Smith, C. F. Glover, D. R. Campbell, Benj. Pugh. Jos. Blackwell was allowed to enter the Home for the Aged and Infirm.

The following named persons were appointed Tax List Takers for their respective townships for the year 1900: J. H. Robinson, Cross Creek township; J. H. Bolton, Flea Hill; D. B Gillis, 71st; Alex. Smith, Little River; Dan'l B. Campbell, Quewhiffle; John (Roslin) Smith, Rockfish; S. D. Cobb, Gray's Creek; Oliver Blackman; Pearce's Mill; Johathan Evans, Cedar Creek; C. D. Gilmore, Carver's Creek; H. L. Hall, Black River; D. M. Beard, Beaver Dam.

Mr. J. T. Bynum tendered his resignation as Register of Deeds, the same was accepted and Capt. John A. McPherson was elected to fill out the unexpired term.

The final settlement with ex-Sheriff McD. Geddie was continued until the next regular meeting in May.

On motion it was ordered that Capt. A. B. Williams and County Attorney John G. Shaw, be authorized to receive the bond of Capt. J. A. McPherson, Register of Deeds, when presented and found satisfactory.

Jurors were drawn for the April criminal court and the May civil court. We will give them tomorrow.

Death of Mrs. Sarah Bryan.

Mrs. Sarah Bryan passed away Tuesday at her residence on Haymount, after a brief illness, though she had long been in feeble health, aged about 77 years. She was the relict of the late Josiah Bryan, for many years postmaster at Fayetteville, and daughter of the late George Hodges, the well known architect of this city. The deceased was a devout member of St. John's Episcopal Church, whose faith was illustrated in her beautiful life and in the gracious qualities of her lovely character. She leaves one daugher, Mrs. John M. Worth, and a sister, Miss Rebecca Hodges, to whom the sympathies of their many friends are extended in this irreparable loss.

The Taking of the Census.

The Republicans and Populists have recommended a number of their followers for appointment as census enumerators for this county, but as yet we have not heard that Mr. Jenkins, the supervisor for this district, has made announcement of his appointments. This district embraces the following counties: Cumberland, Wake, Chatham, Moore, Johnston, Harnett, Robeson and Richmond. For these counties 157 enumerators will have to be appointed.

"I shall appoint enumerators without regard to politics," Mr. Jenkins said yesterday to a Raleigh Post reporter, "but with the object of securing competent men, Selections will be made from all three parties, giving representation to Democrats, Republicans and Populists."

Mr. Jenkins has received some 400 applications for appointment as census enumerators. Those receiving appointments will be required to stand an examination, showing their fitness.

How old are you? Are you married, single, widowed or divorced? Is the house you live in your own; and, if so, is it mortgaged or free? What is your occupation, and how many months out of the year are you employed?

These are some of the pointed personal questions which will be asked during the taking of the twelfth census.

The law requires that the census shall be taken between June 1 and June 15. As two of these days fall on Sunday, but thirteen working days are left.

Each enumerator will be provided with a small book in which will be numbered every lot in his district, and the enumerator will be required to jot down opposite each number the character of the place—a vacant lot, a store or a dwelling. By this means it can be seen whether an enumerator is doing his work.

Another idea which marks a departure is the post-card plan. This will also form a check on the inaccuracies of census taking.

A postal card will be sent to every house in the city. On this card will be a request for information as to whether the person to whom the card is sent expects to be in the city on June 1, and if not, where will he be.

Enumerators are able to make from $3 to $5 per day. They are paid according to the number of names they get. There is a minimum rate of two cents for each living inhabitant, two cents for each death, fifteen cents for each farm, and twenty cents for each establishment of productive industry. The maximum rate is three cents for each living inhabitant, three cents for each death, twenty cents for farms, and thirty cents for industrial institutions.

These are the questions you will have to answer:

Location.—Street, house number, number of dwelling house in the order of visitation, number of family in the order of visitation.

Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family, enter surname first, then the given name and middle initial, if any; include every person living on June 1, 1900; omit children born since June 1, 1900.

Relation.—Relationship of each person to the head of the family.

Personal Description—Color of race; sex; date of birth: month, year; age at last birthday; whether single, married, widowed or divorced; number of years married; mother of how many children; number of these children living.

Nativity—Place of birth of each person enumerated; if born in the United States, give the State or Territory; if of foreign birth, give the country only; place of birth of this person; place of birth of mother of this person.

Citizenship—Year of immigration to the United States; naturalization.

Occupation, trade or profession of each person ten years of age and over; occupation; months not employed.

Education.—Attended school (in months); can read; can write; can speak English.

Ownership of Home.—Owned or rented; owned free or mortgaged; farm or house; number of farm schedule.

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Postmaster Gaster Retires.

The new Post Master, Mr. A. L. McCaskill, took charge of the postoffice in this city Tuesday, and, while our people regret the displacement of Mr. Gaster which brings Mr. McCaskill into office, they give the latter and his assistants, Mr. J. F. Musselwhite and Miss Alice Matthews, a cordial greeting and wish them well.

Upon the outgoing of Mr. Gaster, we feel that it is but due to him to express what, we believe, is the sentiment of the community, viz: that Fayetteville never had a better postmaster. He made a revolution in the office, when he took charge, that was phenomenal. He has been prompt, careful, exact, systematic, obliging, and altogether, we should call him, a model postmaster. He was, in the early part of his encumbency, admirably assisted by Mr. John B. Troy, and, throughout his term, his able chief of staff, his daughter, Miss Katie, gave a color to the proceedings out of the common run and altogether delightful.

Mr. Gaster served one month after his commission expired, and Mr. Dave Gaster and Miss Katie Gaster will remain on the clerical staff until the new force learn the "ropes." During Mr. Gaster's term the business of the office has so much increased that it will probably be made a second-class office in a few months.

Brought Here for Burial.

By the train from Maxton at 11 o'clock Tuesday, the remains of Mrs. Sarah Hawley were brought to this place for interment, Rev. W. L. Cuninggim, pastor of Hay Street Methodist Church, and Rev. W. V. Honeycutt, pastor of the Methodist Church, Polkton, officiating at the burial services.

The deceased was the widow of the late J. H. Hawley, and sister of Mrs. John C. Blocker, and Mrs. Braddy, and was highly esteemed in this community, having lived for many years at the old homestead and farm now owned by Gen. A. G. Brady, and moving thence to Polkton, Anson county, some years ago. The remains of Mrs. Hawley was accompanied by her son, Dr. F. O. Hawley, now a physician of Charlotte, and Rev. Mr. Honeycutt. The pall-bearers were: Messrs. J. M. Lamb, W. W. Cole, Q. K. Nimocks, J. F. Powers, A. E. Rankin and R. M. Prior.

Funeral of Miss Eva Willis.

The funeral of Miss Eva Willis, daughter of the former beloved Methodist pastor of this city, who died at Elizabeth City Sunday, took place from Hay Street Methodist Church Tuesday afternoon at five o'clock, the pastor, Rev. W. L. Cuninggim, conducting the services. She was laid at rest in Cross Creek cemetery beside two sisters who, like her, were taken off in the fullness of their youth.

The pall bearers were: Messrs. R. B. King, A. R. Williams, R. H. McDuffie, Thos. Green, J. V. McGougan, J. R. Boyd.

Marriage of Mr. J. W. Carmon.

Our townsman, Mr. J. W. Carmon, was married at the home of the bride near Manchester yesterday, to Miss Ella McCorquodale, daughter of 'Squire J. T. McCorquodale, of Carvers Creek, Rev. David Fairley performing the ceremony.

Mr. Carmon is one of Fayetteville's most highly esteemed young business men, honored for his strict integrity, and numbering everyone who knows him as his friend. We wish him and his bride, who is said to be a charming young lady, a long life of happiness and prosperity.

The Vacant Judgeship---Between Sutton and Moore.

Governor Russell went down to Wilmington Monday to visit his farm in Brunswick. Before leaving Raleigh he said it would be some days before he would announce the appointment of the successor to the late Judge Dossey Battle.

The Raleigh Post has the following in regard to the judgeship:

"The selection of a judge for the eastern circuit criminal court to succeed the late Judge Dossey Battle lies between two candidates, Ex-Judge Thomas Sutton, of Cumberland, and Augustus Moore, Esq., of Pitt.

"Governor Russell has received a number of applications for the appointment, but it is learned upon good authority that the governor is only considering the names of ex-Judge Sutton and Mr. Moore. The governor's decision will be made known early this week.

"Judge Sutton has been in bad health for some time, though it is said he has improved lately. Augustus Moore, Esq., whom the governor is also considering for the appointment, is a well known lawyer in eastern Carolina. He was a nominee on the republican ticket for superior court judge."

Kruger Makes a Powerful Address—Joubert's Successor.

By cable to the Observer.

Pretoria, March 30—General Joubert's funeral was the most imposing national pageant ever witnessed in the capitol of the Republic. It is estimated that ten thousand lined the streets. The services at the church were very affecting, and many were moved to tears. President Kruger made a powerful address at the railway station eulogizing the dead and emphasizing the determination of the Boghers to continue the struggle for the independence of the republic which God has always upheld. He announced that Botha would succeed Joubert.

Free to Inventors.

The experience of C. A. Snow & Co. in obtaining more than 20,000 patents for inventors has enabled them to helpfully answer many questions relating to the protection of intellectual property. This they have done in a pamphlet treating briefly of United States and foreign patents with cost of same, and how to procure them; trade marks, designs, caveats, infringements, decisions in leading patent cases, etc., etc.

This pamphlet will be sent free to anyone writing to C. A. Snow & Co., Washington, D. C.

The G. T. C. will meet at Mrs. W. M. Morgan's Thursday night at 8 o'clock.

Roberts Loss Heavier Than Reported.

By cable to the Observer.

London, March 31.—The war office this morning posted a dispatch from Gen. Roberts dated last night. He reports the enemy's leaving Brandfot and proceeding in a northerly direction. The casualties in yesterday's battle were more numerous than at first reported. The killed and wounded number 176, missing three.

Roberts's Army.

Roberts's army, with which he is advancing upon the Boers, numbers 70,000. It is composed of the Guards, Highland brigade, third, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth divisions, first, second, third, fourth, cavalery brigades, Yeomanry brigade and two brigades mounted infantry composed of colonials.

Cheerful News from Mafeking.

Lord Roberts cables that news from Mafeking on March tenth is to the effect that the health and spirits of the garrison are good. They have made a search light, their ammunition work has also been successful. They have introduced paper currency to which they are now adding pound notes. The food is lasting well.

Holds Back Good News.

It is currently reported in the military clubs that the Paardeberg battle on Majuba day was such a success that news of the relief of Mafeking is being reserved for one day next week upon which the Queen may land on Irish soil.

Heavy British Loss.

By cable to the Observer.

London, April 2.—The war office reports that Colonel Broadwood lost seven guns and all his baggage in an ambush by Boers. His casualties number 350.

Roberts Tells of Broadwood's Disaster.

Lord Roberts in a despatch of the 1st of April says: "Col. Broadwood was told today that the ninth division with Martyes mounted infantry would march at daylight to support him and that if he considered it necessary he should retire from the waterworks, where he had moved during the night and bivouacked. At dawn today the enemy attacked him from three sides. In retiring he crossed a deep gulley in which the Boers had concealed themselves. In passing the drift the Boers fired and shot down the artillery horses at short range, several guns were captured. The remainder galloped away, covered by Roberts horse which suffered heavily. Broadwood estimates his loss at 350, including 200 hundred missing. Hearing that Broadwood was bard pressed, I immediately despatched Gen. French with two remaining cavalry brigades to follow the support of the ninth division. The strength of the enemy is estimated at from eight to ten thousand."

Roberts Believed to be Engaging the Boers.

It is believed from Lord Roberts despatch that a big engagement is in progress. Although it is difficult to estimate the number of British engaged, they probably exceed even the eight or ten thousand estimated for the Boers. The scene of the British disaster seems to be Mealdespruit, where the Bloemfontein road crosses a tributary of Modder river.

Two Confirmed Reports.

The Chronicle's correspondent at Belefontein telegraphs that Broadwood's guns have been recaptured. He also says the water supply of Bloemfontein has been cut off by the Boers. The war office has no confirmation of either report. De Wett commanded the Boers who ambushed the English.

The Boers Closing on Roberts—Are Now on the Aggressive.

By cable to the Observer.

London, April 3.—The Boers are taking the aggressive and are now closing in upon Roberts. They are already upon his flanks and front and are apparently forcing the fighting before he is ready to start for Pretoria. The main Boer army has advanced sixty miles southward from Kroonstadt and is now at Smaldal. Another big force is at Paardeberg, on Roberts's left while Oliver's command and the Boers who attacked Broadwood are on his right. Six thousand Boers are on the Vaal River and their threatening attitude is probably responsible for Methune's hurried recall from Griquiland.

Press Dispatch Indications.

The press messages from the seat of war today are greatly curtailed and mutilated, indicating developments at the front.

French Engaged Boers and Almost Decimated Them.

Bloemfontein, April 3—Gen. French has engaged the strong Boer commando from Ladybrand which ambushed Col. Broadwood Saturday and almost decimated them. It is generally believed that the guns and wagons the Boers captured are certain to be recaptured.

Still Occupy Water Works.

Bushman Kop, April 3.—The Boers are still occupying the Water Works which the British shelled yesterday, the Boers replying.

Boer Commander Arrested for High Treason.

Boer Camp, Smalldell, March 30.—General Jan Prinsloo, the former Free State Commandant has been arrested on a charge of high treason. He is supposed to have given information to the enemy. The latest news from Brandford is to the effect that the Federal troops are more than holding their own, and had only nine casualties to date.

Taylor Preparing to Resist the Law—Getting Ready to Fight.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Frankfort, April 3.—Anticipating an attempt to seize the State buildings in the event of an affirmation of Judge Fields decision by the Court of Appeals, the Republicans today removed the Gatling gun from the State House yard to the executive building, where it might be used with effect from the windows. This movement is taken to indicate that the Republicans do not intend to evacuate if the Court of Appeals decides against Taylor, who is expected to come back to the capitol soon. A large quantity of provisions arrived today by boat from Cincinnati and were taken to the arsenal. The Republicans are preparing for a siege of State House Square, and expect more soldiers. It is generally understood that should the Court of Appeals decide in favor of Beckham he will immediately demand possession of the executive offices, backing up his demand with force."

Recruits for the Boers.

By cable to the Observer.

Lorenzo Marquez, April 3.—A German steamer arrived here to-day with 267 passengers, mostly recruits for the Transvaal.

Dublin Receives the Queen with Enthusiasm.

Attempt to Assassinate the Prince of Wales.

Premier Schreiner Mobbed, Then Joins the Mob.

Dewey's Politics Found Out at Last---Kansas City Convention Hall Burning---Feeling on Cotton Exchange---In Congress.

Convention Hall Burning.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Kansas City, April 4.---The Convention Hall, where the National Democratic party is to meet, is burning.

Feeling on Cotton Exchange.

By telegraph to the Observer.

New York, April 4.---It appears to be the feeling on the Cotton Exchange that the summer and winter months will come together very soon, thus wiping out the wide difference which have existed for some time. Every day of good weather in the cotton belt is said to intensify this belief.

Winning Strikers Jubilant.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Chicago, April 4.---Since calling off the machinists' strike, manufacturers have kept many plants running day and night in an effort to catch up with orders. Business was never better in this line. Work was resumed the first of the week. Workmen with bands have been serenading the officials at the different works.

McKinley Wants Congress to Adjourn.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, April 4.—After a conference with the President, Senator Allison is busying himself finding out how soon the present session can be brought to a close. The President has urged an agreement for the first of June.

No Reduction in Taxation.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, April 4.—The members of the Senate finance committee say there is not much probability of any action being taken at the present session looking to a reduction of taxation, not because it should not be done, but because it would raise an interminable debate, and prevent an early adjournment, which it is proposed to effect if possible.

Schreiner Mobbed and Then Joined the Mob.

By cable to the Observer.

Cape Town, April 4.—There was a great and enthusiastic meeting of English residents here today at which resolutions were adopted reaffirming the opinion of the loyalists that the annexation of the Boer republics is the only solution of the South African troubles. After the meeting the crowd met Schreiner returning from luncheon and mobbed him. Schreiner took refuge in the parliament house and the police protected him. A number of arrests have been made. Protected by the police, afterwards Schreiner addressed the crowd. He protested against what he called the unjust attack. He told the people they had not been informed of the actual facts. He declared the results would show him as loyal as anybody in the crowd and perhaps more so. He advised singing the national anthem, joining in himself.

Dewey Willing to Run for President.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, April 4th.—Admiral Dewey said this morning that he would accept the nomination for President if offered him.

Dewey's Politics Found Out.

New York, April 4—The Journal says: Recently Admiral Dewey visited a well known business man in New York. The latter proposed going to the club, and said: "I am a member of two, one Democratic, the other nonpartisan, which do you prefer?" Dewey replied: "As I am a Democrat we might as well go to the club which is democratic." They accordingly took luncheon at the Manhattan club.

The Queen Warmly Received in Dublin.

By cable to the Observer.

Dublin, April 4---The Queen landed at 11:25 this morning. Vast crowds lined the streets and Her Majesty received a hearty welcome. After responding to the address of welcome she was driven to her vice regal lodge. The greeting along the entire route was enthusiastic.

Incidents of the Visit.

Wm. Butler Yeats, the pet dramatist writer of the Irish nationalist papers, is urging the Irish nationalists not to take part in the Queen's welcome. Some time during last night the union jack was painted on William Redmond's door. Redmond resigned from the Dublin corporation because of the adoption of the loyal address to the queen.

In Congress.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, April 4.---The situation of the Subsidy bill is as follows: It may pass the Senate during April, but will probably not come up for consideration in the house at the present session. Congress will undoubtedly adjourn as soon as the routine bills of appropriations are disposed of. The outlook for the adoption of the senate combined tariff and civil government Porto Rico bill by the house is uncertain at the present writing. Still the party managers express confidence that they will carry out the Republican policy and pass the bill as it passed the senate. Grosvener, of the house committee on Ways and Means, favors the proposition for the repeal of certain features of the war revenue laws.

Attempt to Assassinate the Prince of Wales.

By cable to the Observer.

Brussels, April 4.—The Prince of Wales was shot at while leaving the railroad station here today. He was not hurt. It is supposed that the attempt on the Pince's life was the result of anti-British feeling prevalent on the continent owing to the Boer war. Two shots were fired.

The Prince and Princess started to-day for Copenhagen to attend King Christian's birthday. The shots were fired by a man as the train was leaving.

Colville Returns.

By cable to the Observer.

Bloemfontein, April 4th—Colville's infantry division of French's cavalry have returned here.

Mrs. Harriet Evans, Hinsdale, Ill., writes, "I never fail to relieve my children from croup at once by using One Minute Cough Cure, I would not feel safe without it." Quickly cures coughs, colds, grippe and all throat and lung diseases. King Bros.

Utah's Congressman.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Salt Lake City, April 3---Ex-Judge William King, Democrat, was elected a Representative to Congress yesterday over James T. Hammond, Republican, by two thousand majority. King is a mormon but not a poligamist.

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Peas—clay	75
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" —white,	90@125
Meal—bolted—46 lbs per bushel	55@60
" —unbolted—48 lbs per bushel	50@55
Corn—old—56 lbs per bushel	57
Onions—select—per bushel	1.00a1.25
Lard—N. C.	8@9
Tallow	4
Ducks	20@25
Hens—per head	22½@25
Roosters—per head	18 a 20
Turkeys—per lb	8a9
Guineas	none
Geese	25 a 30
Country Butter	25
Hams	12a13
Honey—strained—per lb	8c
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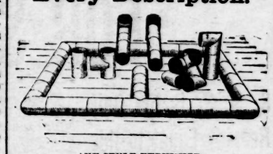

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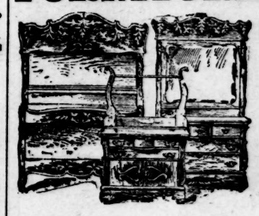

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The Bayreuth Festival.

Our readers will join us in paying the tribute of admiration to the sketch of the famous Bayreuth festival which Miss McKinnon (grand-daughter of Sheriff McNeill) contributes to the OBSERVER, and which will be found on the first page of today's issue. Miss McKinnon, as many of our readers know, is now Musical Director of the Searcy Female Institute, of Arkansas.

Shad for the Cape Fear.

Mayor Cook has written a letter to Congressman Chas. R. Thomas, requesting him to use his influence with the Fish Commissioner to have the Cape Fear re-stocked with shad this spring. It has been a number of years since the Government stocked this river and the marked increase in the catch for the several years following which resulted, has been almost exhausted.

Opening of Baseball Season.

The University of North Carolina lost its first base ball game Saturday to Oak Ridge, against whose team there are serious charges of professionalism. Carolina was handicapped by the unavoidable absence of her great pitcher, Captain Lawson.

Lawson's absence was caused by the recent death of his brother. This brother was in Fayetteville several days last week, on business connected with the Bell Telephone Co., and he then looked the picture of health.

Mr. Claud Dockery to be Married.

The following invitation has been received in this city by the friends and relatives of the prospective groom:

"Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Ryder request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Maud May, to Mr. Claudius Dockery, on Monday, April the 16th, at 12 noon, in the Church of the Eternal Hope, West Eighty-first street, between Columbus and Amsterdam avenues, New York."

Immediately after the ceremony, at 12:30 o'clock, a breakfast will be served to the wedding party, at 160 West Eighty-first street.

An Amusing Court Incident.

Last week a Harnett county man was fined five dollars by Judge Bryan for persisting in talking aloud in court. He had but $2.75, so, to keep him from going to jail, kind-hearted Sheriff Burns loaned him the balance, $2 25. A little later one of the lawyers made an eloquent plea in behalf of the man for a remittance of the fine, one of the extenuating circumstances being that his client was deaf. The Judge ordered the Clerk to remit the fine, and now the man has gone and the Sheriff is whistling for his end of the remittance.

Cumberland's Charities.

Mr. J. H. Currie, of the Board of Public Charities of North Carolina, recently sent his report of the charitable itstitutions, and houses of detention of Fayetteville and Cumberland county to the State chairman of the Board, and has received the following gratifying note:

BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES OF NORTH CAROLINA.
RALEIGH, N. C., March 21, 1900.
J. H. Currie, Esq , Fayetteville:

DEAR SIR:—Your reports in hand today, and refreshing to read. We believe the institutions of Cumberland are in good hands—a great contrast to some of our counties as yet, with all the efforts that have been made. Many thanks to you.

Yours truly,
C. B. DENSON, Sec'y.

Death of Mrs. Lineberry.

Mrs. Bettie Lineberry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Burns, of Chatham, died last Thursday at 8 o'clock at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. J. S. Harper, on Maiden Lane, after a protracted illness.

Mrs. Lineberry's death will be a source of grief to a large circle of friends in this community, by whom she has been held in the highest esteem during her long residence among us. Her aged mother has been with her for the past week, and was a great comfort to her during her last hours.

The deceased lady, who was 57 years of age, leaves three children to mourn their irreparable loss, Mr. Ed. Lineberry, Mrs. J. S. Harper and Miss Lillie Lineberry.

The funeral took place on Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock from the residence, interment in the new cemetery.

The pall-bearers were:

Active—Messrs. J. B. Broadfoot, N. B. Alexander, H. R. Horne, D. H. Ray, C. W. Broadfoot, J. B. Underwood.

Honorary—Dr. T. D. Haigh, A. H. Slocomb.

Rev. W. E. Sitzer, W. Caton, N. Y., writes, "I had dyspepsia over twenty years, and tried doctors and medicines without benefit. I was persuaded to use Kodol Dyspepsia Cure and it helped me from the start, I believe it to be a panacea for all forms of indigestion." It digests what you eat. King Bros.

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Death of Judge Battle.

The "Observer" is greatly grieved to announce the death of Judge Dossey Battle, which took place at his home in Rocky Mount Wednesday. In 1898 he was elected Judge of this criminal circuit court to succeed our townsman, Col. Thos. H. Sutton, and since that time he has made an enviable reputation for himself, and friends of everyone with whom he came in contact.

A dispatch from Rocky Mount says:

Judge Battle has been in very poor health for some time, suffering with heart and kidney trouble. He has been confined to his room since his return from Newbern court, and his death was not unexpected.

Judge Battle was born at the Falls of Tar River, near Rocky Mount, in 1841. He entered the University of North Carolina in 1858 and was there three years, leaving it in 1861 to join the Confederate army, in which he was aid to Gen. Wm. G. Lewis, and was on General Lewis' staff till the close of the war.

Judge Battle read law with his uncle, Hon. Wm. H. Battle, at the University, and obtained license to practice in January, 1867.

He commenced his practice in Rocky Mount and afterwards moved to Tarboro. The growth of his native town again attracted him there, and he formed a partnership with Mr. T. T. Thorne, and practiced in the firm of Battle & Thorne until he was elected judge.

He was elected judge of the Eastern Criminal Court in 1898, which position he held at the time of his death. He acquired a reputation as criminal judge second to no man who ever held a criminal court in North Carolina, and died in the very zenith of his fame as a judge. His death will be sadly deplored by all lovers of law and order in the State.

He will be buried tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock at the cemetery under the auspices of the Masonic order and members of the bar of Rocky Mount and adjacent towns.

JUDGE BATTLE'S SUCCESSOR.

The Raleigh Post of last Thursday says:

Col. Charles A. Cook, of Warren, has been appointed Judge of the Eastern Criminal Circuit Court to succeed the late Judge Dossey Battle, who died yesterday at his home in Rocky Mount.

Governor Russell yesterday tendered the appointment to Colonel Cook, who arrived in the city on the afternoon train upon invitation from the Chief Executive.

Colonel Cook has not yet accepted the appointment. He was seen yesterday afternoon and confirmed the information that he had been tendered the appointment of the judgeship. He stated that he was unable to say whether he could accept the appointment. He has the matter under consideration and his decision will not be known for several days.

The appointment will only hold good until next August when a successor to the late Judge Battle will be chosen at the State election. The salary of the judgeship is $2,000.

Colonel Cook has recently been tendered the appointment of land agent in one of the Western States. The position was secured for him by Senator Pritchard. He has never announced his intention of accepting or declining it.

The appointee of the Governor to succeed the late Judge Battle is one of the best known Republicans in the State. He has held a number of offices within the party. He is a personal friend of the Governors and was retained by the Chief Executive as counsel in most of the important suits instituted by the State during the present administration.

The Eastern Criminal Court was created in 1895. The circuit embraces the counties of Craven, New Hanover, Mecklenburg, Vance, Warren, Robeson, Edgecombe, Halifax, Wilson and Cumberland.

Has Not Yet Accepted.

Charles A. Cook told a Raleigh correspondent that he did not know whether he would accept the judgeship—intimated he will not. A republican lawyer says the legislature will have the power to elect a judge in June; that it raises a new point, but that he can see no reason why it cannot then elect. The act reads as follows:

"There shall be one Judge for the said Eastern district criminal court, who shall preside over the said courts, and who shall be appointed and elected by the general assembly of North Carolina, and who shall receive as compensation for his services the sum of $2.750 per year, and shall hold his office for the term of four years, or until his successor is duly appointed and elected."

Section 8 provides further, that "all vacancies in said office shall be filled by the appointment of the governor, and the person so appointed shall hold his office until the next general assembly, which shall appoint and elect his successor."

Under the provisions of the act Mr. Cook, if he accepts the appointment, will hold the office for about one year, his successor being elected by the general assembly, which convenes in January, 1901.

The Wilmington Messenger of Friday morning says:

It will be remembered that the legislature of 1895 passed an act reorganizing the Eastern district criminal court while Judge O. P. Meares, of this city, was the judge presiding, and also passed an act appointing C. A. Cook as judge. However, it developed that the act appointing Mr Cook was ratified before the ratification of the one creating the office and the supreme court held that Mr. Cook's appointment was inoperative, in that he was appointed to an office which had not been created. Under this ruling, Judge Meares retained the judgeship until the republican legislature of 1897 again reorganized the court and Governor Russell subsequently appointed Judge Thomas Sutton to succeed Judge Meares.

The Amendment.

F. M. Simmons.

A vote cast against the amendment will be a VOTE CAST TO CONTINUE THE NEGRO AS A VOTER and if that vote be cast by a WHITE MAN, IT WILL BE THE MOST DISTINCTIVE VOTE ANY WHITE MAN IN NORTH CAROLINA HAS EVER CAST AGAINST HIS RACE: it will be a distinctive vote for THE NEGRO, a distinctive vote against the WHITE MAN; it will be a declaration on his part that he thinks the negro is as good as the white man; it will be a protest on his part against the white man's having anything that the negro does not have; it will be a vote for the continuance of race trouble and conflict and clash, and finally it will be a vote which cannot possibly help even the negro for whom it is cast, since if he could succeed in defeating the purpose of the white man, as expressed in this amendment, the race question (in the settlement of which he is as much interested as the white man) will still remain unsettled, with the fixed and irrevocable purpose on the part of the whites, as we have said before, to settle it, if not in one way then in another, but to settle it and SETTLE IT FOREVER.

For The Purchase of Danish West Indies.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, March 29.—Negotiations for the purchase of the Danish West Indies are making such progress that it is believed a treaty is in sight. The only hitch is the price. Denmark wants three and a half millions. The United States is willing to pay three.

War Imminent Between Russia and Japan.

By cable to the Observer.

London, March 29.—The Evening News publishes a despatch from Kobe, Japan, announcing that Russia has demanded leave to land troops near Masanpoho. The despatch says Korea wants outside interference. The Daily Mail says that trouble between Russia and Japan is imminent.

Part of the Sedgwick's Crew Mutinied.

By telegraph to the Observer.

New York, March 29.—The Transport Sedgwick arrived this morning with thirteen of her crew in irons. They mutinied on the 25th, while the steamer was at Gibara and refused to obey the officers. They were immediately put under arrest.

Columbus Strike Settled.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Columbus, March 29.—The machinists strike here was settled last night. The employers agreed to take back all the old men, but left free to employ non-unionists on equal terms with unionists. The machinists gain an hour a day. Twenty five cents an hour is the price, and half of that amount over time.

French Cabinet Crisis.

By cable to the Observer.

Paris, March 29.—There are persistent reports of a Ministerial crisis. The opposition is making a desperate attempt to upset the Cabinet before the Exposition opens.

The Third Avenue.

By telegraph to the Observer.

New York, March 29.—The Grand Jury in charge of the Third Avenue Railroad investigation, found no legal evidence of mismanagement.

The Wheat Crop.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Cincinnati, March 29.—Price Current, the authority on the wheat crop, says the possibilities equal the annual average production for the past ten years.

A French Steamer Goes Down.

By cable to the Observer.

San Domingo, March 29—The French steamer Georges Croise bound for Cuba with cattle and eighty passengers has sunk outside this port. The Cruiser New York just arrived rendered assistance. It is unknown how many lives were lost.

Receiver for Third Avenue.

By telegraph to the Observer.

New York, March 30.—Ex-Mayor Hugh J. Grant, has been appointed permanent receiver of the Forty Second Branch of the Third Avenue Railroad

Big French Victory.

By cable to the Observer:

London, March 30th.—The French army at Sahara, has won a big victory. They killed six hundred tribesmen and wounded one thousand, and six hundred prisoners were taken.

Old Dominion on Fire.

By telegraph to the Observer.

New York, March 30.—The steamer Old Dominion, formerly of the Old Dominion Line, caught fire this morning, but was extinguished in a short time. The loss is $15,000.

A Warning to the Powers.

By cable to the Observer.

London, March 30.—The special service squadron to-day was ordered from Gibralter to the Canary Islands, ostensibly for the purpose of watching the Cape route, but of course nobody credits the explanation. It is taken as a warning to the powers.

Bombarded the President.

By cable to the Observer.

Rome, March 30th.—The Extreme Leftists continued their obstruction at the opening of the Chamber of Deputies today. When the President entered he was bombarded with paper pellets, and after ten minutes of uproar the President was compelled to retire.

Victoria Sends a Message to Joubert's Wife.

By cable to the Observer.

London, March 30.—The Queen has cabled Lord Roberts to express to the widow of General Joubert the sympathy of herself and the British nation. The message said: "Tell her that the British people regarded her husband as a gallant soldier and an honorable foeman."

Clements Occupies Fauresmith.

By cable to the Observer

London, March 29.—Lord Roberts cables that General Clements has occupied Fauresmith unopposed. Two guns were found in a shaft of the mine, where a large quantity of ammunition was buried.

British Losses.

Colonel Pilcher, while leaving Ladybrand on the 26th was attacked, and five of his men are missing. In a skirmish north of Modder River on the 25th, eight were wounded and six captured.

Salisbury Threatened to Hang Kruger and Steyn.

An interview with President Kruger has been received here in which he declares he will not blow up the Johannesburg mines, and if the Boers destroy anything they will be punished. Kruger states that Lord Salisbury threatened him with death. Kruger had cabled Lord Salisbury demanding that the Cape prisoners taken by the British at Douglas be treated as prisoners of war and not as traitors. He declared that if any of them were executed reprisals on the British prisoners would be made. Lord Salisbury replied in effect that if one British prisoner was injured at Pretoria both Kruger and Steyn would be hanged at the end of the war. Kruger replied "to go on with your hanging, but remember, however, "that Lord Edward Cecil your son is at Mafeking."

A Remarkable Statement.

A correspondent of the Times makes a remarkable statement in a despatch from Bloemfontein that fifteen thousand foreign troops had been landed to aid the Boers, and that the Transvaal forces will be re equiped. Other Bloemfontein despatches say that Kruger boasts he will retake Blomfontein within a week. It is believed that the march of the main army on Pretoria will begin April 2.

Kruger at the Front.

Cape Town, March 29.—President Kruger has gone to the front, and it is now reported is on the Boer firing line near Kroonstadt.

Archibald Forbes Dead.

By cable to the Observer.)

London, March 30—Archibald Forbes, the noted war correspondent, died last night.

The Postal Appropriation.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, March 30.—The postal appropriation will carry three-quarters of a million for the pneumatic tube service, an increase of half a million. The total appropriation will be between one hundred and thirteen and one hundred and fourteen million.

Ten Thousand Deposit Forgotten.

By telegraph to the Observer

New Haven, March 30.—The executors of the late Bishop Williams have found that he had a deposit at the National bank of about ten thousand dollars untouched for many years, and apparently forgotten. This sum will go to the Berkely divinity school Middletown, Conn., as a residuary legatee.

The Case of Our Colored Congressman.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Pittsburg, March 30.—The jury in the case of Assistant District Attorney Billows, colored, against William J McCarthy, a restaurant keeper, who refused to serve a meal to Billows and his companion, Representative George W. White, of North Carolina, also colored, returned a verdict to-day of six cents in favor of the plaintiff, who asked for five thousand.

Joubert's Burial.

By cable to the Observer.

London, March 30.—A Pretoria despatch says that General Joubert will be buried on his farm at Rustfontein in accordance with his wishes. The ceremonies will not be military, but entirely civil and private. The British prisoners at Pretoria sent a wreath for the funeral.

An Exodus of Negroes from Raleigh.

By telegraph to the Observer.

New York, March 30.—An Employment Bureau of this city is said to have placed orders in Raleigh, N. C., for an unlimited number of negro cooks and house servants, etc. The bureau is said to ask as many as one thousand of each sex. Cooks are leaving Raleigh daily, in fact there is an exodus.

The French Chambers.

By cable to the Observer.

Paris, March 30.—The newspapers this morning state that there will be no further interpellations of the Government before the adjournment of the chambers, which will take place prior to the opening of the Exposition.

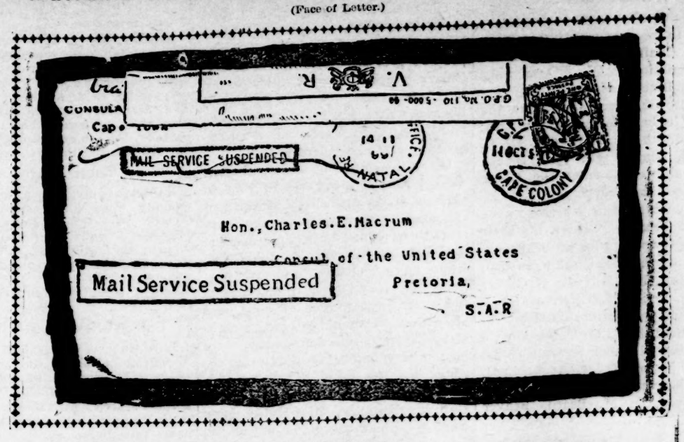
Big Blizzard in Vienna.

By cable to the Observer.

Vienna, March 30.—A big blizzard is raging. All railroads are stopped. There has been a number of casualties.

Macrum's Evidence of Anglo-American Secret Alliance.

(Face of Letter.)



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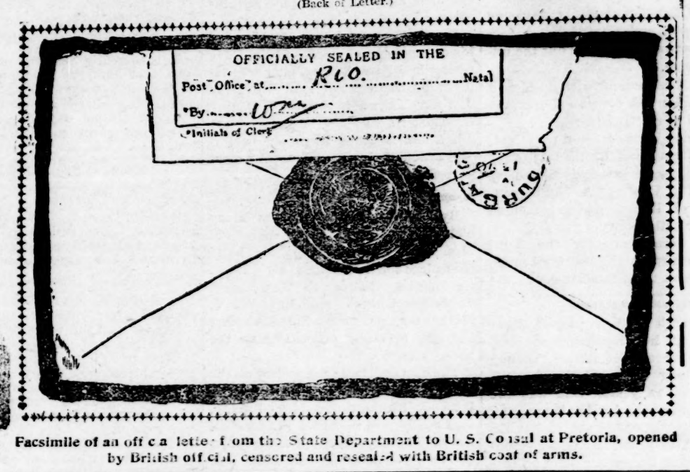

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"H. H. H."

FARM JOURNAL FREE.

We have from time to time given to our customers tokens of appreciation. Last Spring we gave away, with all agricultural Tools, Garden Seed. For many years we have subscribed for the "Farm Journal," and we know of nothing that, in our opinion, would more benefit farmers, and so we have made arrangements with the publishers and will give one year's subscription to it to each of our farmer customers, or others interested, who buys, at one purchase, THREE DOLLARS WORTH of goods for CASH between the 15th of March and the 15th of May, 1900.

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THIS MACKINTOSH is latest 1900 style, made from heavy waterproof, tan color, genuine Davis Covert Cloth; extra long, double breasted, Sager velvet collar, fancy plaid lining, waterproof sewed, strapped and cemented seams, suitable for both rain or overcoat, and guaranteed greatest value ever offered by us or any other house. For Free Book containing samples of Men's Mackintoshes up to $5.00, and Made-to-Measure Suits and Overcoats at from $5.00 to $10.00, write for Free Book No. 808. Address,

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The serious consequences to which Scrofula surely leads should impress upon those afflicted with it the vital importance of wasting no time upon treatment which can not possibly effect a cure. In many cases where the wrong treatment has been relied upon, complicated glandular swellings have resulted, for which the doctors insist that a dangerous surgical operation is necessary.

Mr. H. E. Thompson, of Milledgeville, Ga., writes: "A bad case of Scrofula broke out on the glands of my neck, which had to be lanced and caused me much suffering. I was treated for a long while, but the physicians were unable to cure me, and my condition was as bad as when I began their treatment. Many blood remedies were used, but without effect. Some one recommended S. S. S., and I began to improve as soon as I had taken a few bottles. Continuing the remedy, I was soon cured permanently, and have never had a sign of the disease to return." Swift's Specific—

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Books on blood and skin diseases will be mailed free to any address by the Swift Specific Company, Atlanta, Georgia.

Notice of Summons.

NORTH CAROLINA, } In Superior Court,
Cumberland Co. } before the Clerk.

Eva (Manly) Bell vs. John A. Manly, Caroline McMillan, William McMillan, Charlotte Manly, Caldon Manly, Mary Francis Manly, Maggie Jane Manly, Sarah Kate Manly, Flora Smith Manly, Charles Lovett—Publication of Summons.

The defendants John A Manly, Caroline McMillan, William McMillan, Charlotte Manly, Caldon Manly, Mary Francis Manly, Maggie Jane Manly, Sarah Kate Manly and Flora Smith Manly, above named, will take notice that an action entitled as above, has been commenced in the Superior Court of Cumberland County for the pose of having a sale and division of proceeds among the tenan's in common, the complaint now being on file in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court in said county, and the said defendants will further take notice that they are required to be and appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Cumberland county, N C, on the 16 h day of April, 1900, and answer or demur to the said complaint, or the plaintiffs will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This 3rd day of March, 1900.

A. A. McKETHAN,
Clerk of the Superior Court.
H. L. Cook, Att'y.

Commissioner's Land Sale.

By virtue of a judgment and decree of the Superior Court of Cumberland county rendered in a proceeding therein pending, entitled D. J. Ray and wife M. C. Campbell, Sarah C. McDuffie and others, *ex parte*, I will offer and sell, by public auction for cash, at Montrose in Cumberland county, on

Monday, the 2nd Day of April,
1900, at 11 o'clock A M.,

100 ACRES OF LAND,

consisting of two tracts of 50 acres each, in Cumberland county, on the waters of Big Rockfish, south of the head of Cabin Branch, bounded by each other and the Gillis land, fully described in the petition in the above case on file in the Clerk's office in said county.

This February 28th, 1900

A. C. CAMPBELL,
Commissioner.

Libel Notice.

The following personal property was seized in this the 4th District of North Carolina as follows:

Near Hope Mills 3rd of March 1900, 2 kegs of Whisky, abo t 12 gallons.

On the 16th March, at G M. Taylor's registered distillery, 9 barrels corn whisky, 219 gallons of copper still, cap and two worms 6 fermenters, 2 mash tubs, &c.

Any person claiming interest in any of said property must file claims before me at my office in Raleigh within thirty days from date of this libel notice and show cause why said property shall not be forfeited to the United States.

Given under my hand and official seal this the 17th day of March, 1900.

E C DUNCAN,
2-19-oaw3w Collector 4th Dist, N. C.

Notice of Sale.

By virtue of the authority contained in a mortgage deed, executed to me on the 23rd day of February, 1897, by K. E. Barefoot, and duly registered in the Register's office of Cumberland county, in Book A. No. 5, page 1 I shal sell, at auction for cash, at the Court House door in the town of Fayetteville, on the

26th day of March, 1900,

the following real property, to-wit:

A certain piece or tract of land lying and being in Cumberland County, State of North Carolina, in Black River Township, and described and defined as follows:

Beginning at a cypress in the main run of Mingo and runs E 9 W 25 poles and 15 links to a hickory on the side of the path; thence N 72 W 25 poles to a stake in the path; thence N 23 W 139 poles to a stake on the west side of Reedy Branch; thence S 45 W 26 poles to a small black gum in the edge of a small branch; thence South 57 chains and 70 links to a cypress knee in the main run of Mingo; thence up the main run as it meanders to the beginning, containing 100 acres and fully described in said mortgage.

This 16th day of February, 1900.

L. E PARKER; Mortgagee.
James D. Parker, Att'y

By consent the above sale is postponed without prejudice, to take place at Court House, Fayetteville, N C,

Monday, May 7th, 1900,
at 12 o'clock M. This March 26th, 1900.

JAS. D. PARKER, Att'y for Mortgagee.
ROBINSON & SHAW, Att'ys for Mortg'r.

REDUCTION.

At a time when prices are all upward it affords the agent of the

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—AND—
Georgetown, S. C., Lines.

FROM NEW YORK FOR WILMINGTON.

ONEIDA.....Saturday, March 31
SAGINAW.....Saturday, April 7

FROM WILMINGTON FOR NEW YORK.

SAGINAW.....Saturday March 31
ONEIDA.....Saturday, April 7

FROM WILMINGTON for GEORGETOWN.

SAGINAW.....Tuesday, March 27
ONEIDA.....Tuesday April 3

Steamer Oneida does not carry passengers.

☞Through Bills Lading and Lowest Through Rates guaranteed to and from points in North and South Caro ina.

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H. G. SMALLBONES,
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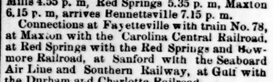
Wilmington, N. C.
THEO. G. EGER, Traffic Manager,
5 Bowling Green, N. Y.
W. P. CLYDE & Co. General Agents,
Bowling Green N. Y.



Wilmington & Weldon Rail Road

AND BRANCHES

AND A. C. L. RAILROAD COMPANY OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

CONDENSED SCHEDULE.

TRAINS GOING SOUTH.

DATED Nov. 19, 1899.	No 23, Daily.	No 35, Daily.	No. 103 Ex. Sunday.	No 41, Daily.	No 47, Daily.
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M
Le ve Weldon	11 50	8 58			
Ar Rocky Mt.	12 55	10 04			
Le ve Tarboro	12 21		6 00		
Lv Rocky Mt,	1 00	10 04		8 45	5 40 12 36
Leave Wilson	1 58	10 25		7 10	6 20 2 40
Leave Selma	2 55				
Lv Fayetteville	4 30	12 19			
Ar Florence	7 25	2 34			
	P. M.	A. M.			
Ar Goldsboro	.....	.....	7 50	.....	.....
Lv Goldsboro	.....	.....		7 01	3 21
Lv Magnolia	.....	.....		8 09	4 25
Ar Wilmington	.....	.....		9 40	5 50
				P. M.	A. M. P. M

TRAINS GOING NORTH.

	No 78 Daily.	No. 102, D'ly ex. Sunday.	No 32, Daily	No 40 Daily.	No 48, Daily
	A. M.		P. M.		
Lv Florence	9 40		7 45		
Lv Fayetteville	12 30		9 45		
Leave Selma	1 50		12 54		
Arrive Wilson	2 55		11 31		
		A. M.		P. M.	A. M.
Lv Wilmington			7 00	9 45	
Lv Magnolia			8 34	11 19	
Lv Goldsboro		5 15	9 45	12 30	
	P. M.		A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Leave Wilson	2 35	5 43	11 31	10 38	1 16
Ar Rocky Mt.	3 30	6 15	12 07	11 35	1 53
Ar Tarboro		7 04			
Leave Tarboro	12 21				
Lv Rocky Mt.	3 30		12 09		
Arrive Weldon	4 32		1 00		
	P. M.		A. M	P. M.	

†Daily except Monday. ‡Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Yadkin Division Main Line—train leaves Wilmington, 9 00 a. m, arrives Fayetteville 12.15 p. m. Leaves Fayetteville 12.25 p. m, arrives Sanford 1.43 p. m. Returning leave Sanford 2.30 p m, arrive Fayetteville 3.45 p. m. Leave Fayetteville 3.50 p. m, arrive Wilmington 6.50 p. m.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad Bennettsville Branch—train leaves Bennettsville 8.15 a. m, Maxton 9.20 a. m, Red Springs 9.53 a m, Hope Mills 10.42 a. m, arrive Fayetteville 10.50. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 p. m, Hope Mills 4.55 p. m, Red Springs 5.35 p. m, Maxton 6.15 p. m, arrives Bennettsville 7.15 p. m.

Connections at Fayetteville with train No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3:35 P. M., Halifax 4:15 P. M. arrive Scotland Neck at 5:08 P. M., Greenville 6:57 P. M., Kinston 7:55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7:50 A. M., Greenville 8:52 A. M. Arriving Halifax at 11:18 A. M., Weldon 11:33 A. M., daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8:10 A. M., and 2:30 P. M., arrive Parmele 9:10 A. M., and 4:00 P. M., returning leave Parmele 9:35 A. M., and 6:30 P. M., arrive Washington 11:00 A. M, and 7:30 P. M. Daily except Sunday